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EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS

Consembly Adopts Article On Employment To Services Under State

HOUSE TAKES UP DISCUSSION ON CLAUSE REGARDING TITLES

NEW DELHI, NOV. 30 (API): RESUMING DISCUSSION OF THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS TODAY, THE CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY REJECTED THE SUGGESTION MADE BY MR. Z. H. LARI YESTERDAY THAT THE CHAPTER SHOULD INCLUDE A CLAUSE FOR THE ABOLITION OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT, EXCEPT FOR SEDITION INVOLVING USE OF VIOLENCE.

Mr. Amiyo Kumar Ghose, (who was the first speaker) stated that he was not, in principle, opposed to the suggestion but wondered whether, by incorporating such a clause in the Constitution, they would not for all time to come fetter the hands of the State to resort to capital punishment when exigencies demanded it.

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

The House then took up clause ten of the Fundamental Rights relating to equality of opportunity for citizens for employment under the State. A large number of amendments were moved to this article. Mr. Loknath Misra moved that clause two, three, and four of this article which among other things empower the State to make special provisions for reservation of posts and appointments in favour of backward communities should be deleted. Mr. Misra stated that this would put a premium on inefficiency. If this was retained it might be an act of generosity to these classes but it would also mean degradation for these very communities who, it was agreed on all hands, should be uplifted from their present position.

RESPONSIBLE JOBS TO BE LIMITED TO INDIANS

Prof. K. T. Shah moved an amendment seeking to ensure that all posts and appointments especially those of trust and responsibility would be limited to citizens from India. They had before them examples of how other countries, even Commonwealth countries, were making reservations of this kind. India was a young country and her development and advancement could be achieved only by children of her soil.

Citizens of India had been discriminated against, he pointed out, in countries like South Africa and even Australia and Canada in matters of employment.

Prof. Jaspat Rai Kapoor moved an amendment seeking to ensure quality for employment irrespective of the place of residence of an Indian citizen. They were going to have one citizenship for the whole country. This must mean equal right of opportunity for employment for all citizens in any part of the country.

Sir Alladi Krishnawamy Ayyar moved an amendment to Clause 2 seeking to add the following: "Nothing in this article shall prevent Parliament from making any law prescribing in regard to a class or classes of employment or appointment to an office under any State for the time being specified in the first schedule or any local or other authority within its territory and requirement as to residence within that State prior to such employment or appointment."

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL.

Sir Alladi pointed out that the first part of the article laid down the general rule that there shall be equality of opportunity for all citizens in matters of employment. Thereby, the universality of Indian citizenship was postulated. In the second part it was stated that no citizen shall be ineligible for these appointments on grounds of religion caste, sex etc. The other two parts of the article were in the nature of exceptions to this general proposition. His own amendment dealt with a new aspect. For particular reasons, it might be found necessary to provide for residence within the state as necessary qualification for appointments by and within that state.

Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar moved an amendment to ensure that there would be equality not merely in seeking and getting employment but that there shall be no discrimination against any person after he was employed.

WHAT IS "BACKWARD"

Seth Damodar Swarup moved for the deletion of the clause in the Article making provision for Reservation of appointments to the backward communities. The term "backward" was not easy to define. Nor was it easy to lay down a criterion to judge a community's backwordness. the clause if retained would give rise to constant favouritism which should have nothing to do in a secular state.

Pandit Hirday Nath Kunzru moved an amendment stating that the reservation of appointments for backward classes should be limited to a period of ten years after the constitution comes into force.

Representation in the legislature for the backward classes, he stated, was more important then representation in the services.

Mr. Aziz Ahmed moved an amendment seeking to omit the word 'backward' from the Article and to apply the general term 'classes' to all classes who were not adequately represented in the services.

MINOR AMENDMENTS

A number of other minor amendments were moved by Prof. K. T. Shah, Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar, Mr. K. M. Munshi, Mr. Mohammad Tahig and Mr. Naziruddin Ahmed., before the General discussion on the Article began, the Vice-President, Dr. H. C. Mookerje, appealed to the House to enable him to give the backward classes for whom reservations were sought to be ensured in the clause, full opportunity to express their views.

GENERAL DEBATE OPENS

Opening the general debate, Mr. Hari Bahadur Gurung said that the words "Backward Class of Citizens" (for whom provision was sought to be made for reservation of appointments or posts in their favour was not properly defined. It might include Scheduled Castes and tribal people and also those who were educationally and economically backward. They constituted 90 per cent of the population.

Speaking about three million Gurkhas who were domiciled in India, he said they should have the same privileges as backward classes.

Mr. Ramprakash said that the word 'backward' class used in the draft would lend itself to various interpretations and the team "scheduled castes" would have been more appropriate.

SARDAR'S REMARKS RECALLED

Mr. Muniswami Pillai asked if the term 'backward' class, would include certain communities which had not been given representation in the services and said unless these communities, more especially the Scheduled Castes were given their consideration in the matter of appointments their uplift would not be realised. He recalled Sardar Patel's remarks that not only justice must be done to Harijans but they should be treated with generosity. They should approach the question in that spirit.

MUNSHI'S REMARKS

Mr. K. M. Munshi said that criticisms against the provision centred round two points namely the scope of the amendment of Mr. Alladi Krishnaswami Iyer regarding the provision of residence and secondly about the interpretation of the word 'state' used in the article. He said that according to the article taken along with the suggested amendment, no local authorities or provincial governments or governments of the units could ever make a rule that an incumbent of office under them should belong to that place. He admitted that it would cause great inconvenience. If the residential qualification was sought to be embodied, it could be done only by Parliament. The object was that there should be uniformity in regard to residential qualifications throughout the country, so that this exception might not be abused by local authorities by imposing varying residential qualifications.

PARADISE FOR LAWYERS.

Criticising the Draft Constitution as "a paradise for lawyers", Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari said that the article should not find a place in the Chapter of Fundamental Rights. The clause provided for equality of opportunities to all citizens. He asked whether literate and illtreate candidates should have equal chance for offices and posts. He also asked if it was necessary to include the word "residence". Those and other matters, would be decided by the Supreme Court.

Mr. Krishnamachari pointed out that the article mentioned Backward Class but not Backward Castes. The whole draft was a "pradise for lawyers": and evidently the Drafting Committee had tried to improve the business of their class He said that those clauses would lead to a lot of confusion and let them not complicate the issue further by the amendments of Mr. Kapur and Mr. Alladi Krishnaswami Ayyar.

AMBEDKAR'S REPLY.

Dr. Ambedkar, replying to the debate, said that some members twitted the Drafting Committee by saying that in the interest of the members of the legal profession they had produced a constitution which was probably "a paradise for lawyers".

He was not prepared to say that the constitution would not give rise to questions of legal and judical interpretations. He asked Mr. Krishnamachari to point out any instance of a constitution in the world which had not been a "paradise for lawyers". He referred to the vast volumes of law reports regarding the constitutions of the United States and Canada. He was not ashamed at all that the Constitution for the purpose of decision or interpretation would be referred to the Federal Court. That was the fate of every constitution.

The other question which had been agitating the minds of the members of the House, Dr. Ambedkar said, was the introduction of the word 'Backward Class'. There were three points of view which it had been necessary to take into account to produce a workable article. The first was that there should be equality of opportunity among all citizens.

That was the desire of many members of the House. They felt that there ought to be no militation or no hindrance in the operation of the principle of equality of opportunity.

Another view shared by a section of the House, he added, was that if the principle was to be operative to the fullest extent there ought to be no reservation of any kind and all citizens who were qualified should be placed on the same footing as far as possible.

MOTION ADOPTED.

Dr. Ambedkar accepted the amendments of Mr. Munshi, Mr. Alladi Krishnaswamy Ayyar, and Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar which the House adopted. The other amendments were rejected by the House.

The amended article, passed by the House in its final form, reads: "There shall be equality of opportunity for all citizens in matters relating to employment or appointment to office under the State. No citizen shall on grounds only of religion, race, caste, sex, descent, place of birth, residence, or any of them, be ineligible or discriminated against for any employment or office under the State. Nothing in this article shall prevent Parliament from making any law prescribing in regard to a class or classes of employment or appointment to an office under any State for the time being specified in the first schedule or any local or other authority within that State prior to such employment or appointment. Nothing in this article shall prevent the State from making any provision for the reservation of appointments or posts in favour of any backward class of citizens who, in the opinion of the State, are not adequately represented in the services under the State. Nothing in this article shall affect the operation of any law which provides that the incumbent of an office in connection with the affairs of any religious or denominational institution or any member of the governing body thereof shall be a person professing a particular religion or belonging to a particular denomination".

ACADEMIC TITLES.

The House then took up consideration of the article regarding titles, providing that no title shall be conferred by the State, no citizen of India shall accept any title from any foreign state and that no person holding any office of profit or trust under the State shall without the consent of the President accept any present, emolument, title or office of any kind from or under any Foreign State".

Mr. T .T. Krishnamachari moved an amendment seeking that the grant of military or academic distinction should not be brought within the purview of the article. The Government, he said, had just announced three titles of distinction to those who distinguish themselves in the military. Similarly there were academic titles given by universities, and the House must not put an end to those distinctions.

Dr. Ambedkar accepted the amendment moved by Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari. Referring to the point raised by Mr. Naziruddin Ahmed, he said that it would be possible for them to make laws in the constitution to deal with a person who accepted a title conferred by a Foreign State.

Before the amendments and the article could be put to vote, the House adjourned for the day.

MAHATMA'S SHRADHA DAY

Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, speaking at the Shradha Day celebration of Mahatma Gandhi at Peoples Hall on Tuesday.

GANDHIAN WAY TO WORLD PEACE

Morarji On "Truth And Non-Violence" At Shradha Day Meeting

BOMBAY Tuesday.

Though the field of activities of Mahatma Gandhi was mainly India, he yearned and worked for universal peace and brotherhood of nations, said Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister of Bombay, speaking at a meeting held in connection with the tenth 'Shradha' day of Gandhiji at Peoples Jinnah Hall this evening.

The scourge of war, Mr. Desai said had plagued the mankind for centuries and nations had been devastated and homes and hearths destroyed by wars. Today, the war-stricken world, the Home Minister added was struggling for peace

Mahatma Gandhi, alone in this critical period, he opined had stood steadfast to the principle of Truth and nonviolence and showed and taught the panacea to end wars. Mr. Desai warned that if we did not muster enough strength, we would lose the gains made by India due to the life-long efforts of the Father of the Nation. "It will, then mean that a great man was born in our country and lived and worked to make our nation great, but we failed to preserve the fruits he reaped for us", said the Home Minister.

By his unique sacrifice, the speaker said, Mahatma Gandhi curbed the tidal wave of venomous communalism, which he remarked would have torn our country into pieces and destroyed our newly-won freedom. "Mahatma Gandhi's service to India is great," Mr. Desai added, "but his sacrifice is grater".

Mr. S. K. Patil, President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee addressing the meeting deplored that Gandhiji had passed away only ten months ago, but the people had begun forgetting him and were drifting away from the ideals preached by him.

COMMUNIST MENACE

Mr. Patil referred to the international situation, and said that our neighbouring countries, China, Burma, Java and Indonesia were menaced by Communist uprising and surreptitious activities. Today, the B.P.C.C. President added communism was the greatest danger to India. In Hyderabad, he pointed the problem before the Military Governor was not the Nizam, but communist agitators, who were disturbing peace in the State.

Cloth Rationing In Sholapur

The Government of Bombay has applied the Bombay Cloth Rationing Order, 1948 to the Sholapur rationed area. Statutory Regioning of Indian Mill-made cloth will therefore start in the Sholapur rationed area from December 1, 1948.

For purchasing rationed cloth on any cloth ration coupon the foodgrains ration cards of the person on whose cloth ration coupon rationed cloth is to be purchased must be presented to the rationed cloth distributor along with the record of cloth purchase sheet of the family and the person purchasing the rationed cloth must sign (or put thumb impression if he is illiterate) on the cash memo.

The necessary notifications under the Bombay Cloth Rationing Order, 1948 etc. are being published in the Bombay Government Gazette.

STATUTORY CONTROL OF CLOTH FROM TODAY

Stock Position Satisfactory: Controls May Not Continue After Nine Months If Circumstances Are Favourable

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30 (API): The statutory control of production of textiles comes into effect throughout India tomorrow when, along with it, some of the Provinces are understood to be introducing rationing of mill-made cloth.

Designed principally to ensure sufficient cloth at a reasonable price to the common man, the control measures relate to the production of textiles and the regulation of their prices, while the distribution system is left to be evolved at the discretion of the provinces concerned.

SALE OF UNSTAMPED CLOTH

The sale of unstamped cloth is also prohibited. Provinces have been instructed to fix the retail prices at a rate not exceeding 20 per cent of the ex-mill prices.

Some of the provinces like the Central Provinces, Bombay and Delhi have chosen tomorrow for the introduction of rationing of mill-made cloth, while others like Madras will impose no control on the quantity of cloth permissible for purchase. The Provinces will determine their own system of distribution to meet local conditions.

So far as Delhi is concerned, a system of informal rationing will be in vogue for a fortnight whereafter statutory rationing is expected to be introduced. Some of the Provinces, like the U. P. and the Central Provinces, have decided to distribute a portion of the sale through co-operative societies.

In Madras, the huge production of handloom cloth has acted as a safety valve serving as a check on the availability of cloth. The Province has, therefore, decided on a system of open distribution.

METHODS TO SPEED UP PRODUCTION

Various methods to step up production and regulate the varieties are also decided. Limitation is imposed on the number of counts to be produced by the mills, the maximum counts being eighty. These restrictions are intended to secure uniformity of production and help to step it up. No mill will be allowed to employ more than ten per cent of its looms for the production of twills, coatings and heavy cloths.

Secondly, there will be a limit on the variation which may be allowed in the construction of cloth between weft yarn and warp yarn. The intention of that control is to see that the cloth is strong and mills do not secure a higher price than the quality justified by having unduly high warp or unduly low weft.

PRODUCTION CONTROL

Thirdly, a number of measures to regulate varities of cloth has also been introduced. A detailed scheme for production control is being under consideration of a committee with Mr. Shivasankar as the Chairman.

The Government of India has set up a directorate to co-ordinate the production control enforcement by Provinces. It is realised that the enforcement of control by the Centre would involve a large administrative set-up and the function is therefore, left to regional authorities.

SATISFACTORY STOCK POSITION

The stock position in the country at present is stated to be satisfactory and is estimated to be in the region of 500,000 bales with mills having a stock of roughly five week's production of about 225,000 bales. The rate of production is being maintaining on a fair level by the mills and last month, Bombay and Ahmedabad mills produced 150,000 bales.

A spokesman of the Government of India said that the increased production figures, the reduction in off-take in Pakistan and the decrease in the export of cloth contributed to the satisfactory stock position. If these conditions continued. For about nine months more, there would be no need for the continuance of controls. Due to the imposition of export duty on cloth-which was recently reduced — only about 10 million yards were exported though the quota was 150 million yards.

The consumption in Pakistan areas in the preparation period was to the extent of 700 million yards but under the Indo-Pakistan agreement, Pakistan will take 450 million yards. Pakistan has to buy 300,000 bales of cloth up to the end of August 1949 and against this quota, her off-take will be 75,000 bales up to December 9, 1948. As the trade is conducted as between the two Governments, Mr. Habibullah, Pakistan Textile Commissioner, had come to India for the purpose of buying cloth against the quota.

CITY MILLIONAIRE RE-ARRESTED

TRIAL TO BEGIN 'DE NOVO'

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

THREE DAYS AFTER HE HAD BEEN DISCHARGED BY A CITY MAGISTRATE, RAMGOPAL G. RUIA, MANAGING AGENT OF THE DHANRAJ MILLS LTD., AND HARIPRASAD GUPTA, MANAGER OF MANAGING AGENCY FIRM, WERE REARRESTED BY THE BOMBAY C.I.D. AND PLACED BEFORE MR. OSCAR H. BROWN, CHIEF PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATE TODAY.

Mr. Ardeshir Mulla-Firoze, Secretary of the Dhanraj Mills and co-accused in this case, who also had been discharged on Friday was arrested yesterday and had been enlarged on bail by Rao Saheb C. B. Velkar, the magistrate who had earlier discharged all of them. Ruia and Gupta were also enlarged on bail by the Chief Presidency Magistrate today.

The rearrest of the three men is the sensation sequel to their discharge on Friday last. Immediately after they were ordered to be discharged on the ground that the police officer concerned with the case was not present in court owing to indisposition, Deputy Commissioner Quilter, who personally supervised the investigations in the case, ordered the re-arrest of the accused. Accordingly Deputy Inspector Kane arrested Mr. Mulla-Firoze, yesterday, and the two other accused today

Dy. Ins. Kane stated to the court that the case had been part-heard and the complainant Raja Dhanrajgirji and two bank clerks who were witnesses in the case had already been examined.

At this stage, the officer submitted, the court had discharged the accused. The case against the accused which is in respect of an alleged criminal breach of trust of nearly nine lakhs will now be tried de novo.

Alleged Jewish Violation Of Pact

AMMAN, Nov. 30, (Reuter): Arab Legion headquarters today accused the Jews of breaking Jerusalem's tentative "goodwill" cease-fire agreement which started yesterday.

A Reuter message from Jerusalem said the agreement was signed by Arab and Jewish military leaders in the presence of the Truce Commission and United Nations representatives.

The Arab Legion said that barely fortyfive minutes after the cease-fire came into effect, Jews opened fire on Arab positions in Jerusalem, wounding a Legion officer at Mount Zion.

Firing in the Mount Zion and Abuttor areas of Jerusalem today was also reported by the Arabs.

RECEPTION TO C. P. GOVERNOR

H. E. Mangaldas Pakvasa, Governor of C. P. and Berar replying to a reception given by the Bombay City Adult Education Committee in the lawn of Pransukhlal Mafatlal Swimming bath at Marine Drive on Tuesday.

FORM POPULAR MINISTRY IN E. PUNJAB STATES

Plea At Patiala Political Conference

PATIALA, Nov. 30. (API): Mr. Nijalangappa, Minister of the Mysore Government and member of the Constituent Assembly, presiding over the first Political Conference of the Patiala and East Punjab States Union Congress here, counselled the people of the Union not to allow the caretaker Government to continue any longer.

Mr. Nijalangappa, said: "Much depends upon your strength. Be united and gather strength, the Government shall have to concede your demands. From my impression of what I have seen this afternoon, I feel confident that you have the requisite strength to press your demands".

The main political resolution adopted by the Conference expressed the hope that "the States Ministry of the Government of India, realising the new temper of the people would take the matter of forming a popular ministry in right earnest without further delay and urged the new President of the Indian National Congress, Dr. Pattabhai Sitaramayya, who had seen the machinations of autocracy in the East Punjab States with his own eyes, to use his good offices of the same".

STATE PROPERTIES

The conference viewed with concern "the conversion of State properties by the Rulers in the various integrating States into their personal properties, as well as gross misappropriations of huge sums of money in subtle ways by them and thus causing to the Union exchequer loss of many crores of rupees", and demanded "investigation and extensive enquiry which were not possible unless that popular ministry was formed".

The conference congratulated the Government of India and Indian defence forces on their victory in the task of liquidating the Hyderabad autocracy and giving a crushing defeat to the powers of reaction and communalism in India".

PARTY TO C. P. GOVERNOR

City Adult Education Committee's Reception

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Members of the Bombay City Adult Education Committee were at home to Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, Governor of the Central Provinces and Berar, on the lawn of the Pransukhlal Mafatlal Swimming Bath this evening. Among those present were Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bohbay, Home Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai, Finance Minister, Mr. V. L. Mehta, Labour Minister Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Health Minister, Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, Justice Bhagvati, Dr. M. U. Mascarenhas, Mayor of Bombay, Mrs. Lilavati Munshi, and a large number of Congressmen and social workers interested in the work of adult education.

Both the Governors were introduced to the members of the Committee by Mr. Champaklal Mody, President of the Literacy Week Committee. The gathering dispersed after a brief period of relaxation during which views on adult education were freely exchanged.

MUTT AND JEFF—Anyway The Downstairs Neighbor Ought To Get Ceiling Prices

By BUD FISHER

JEFF, WHAT CHA DOIN'?
I'M RAISING VEGETABLES! I'VE BEEN STUDYING SCIENTIFIC WAYS TO GROW VEGETABLES INDOORS!
I'M GONNA TAKE MY PLAN UP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE!
JUST A MINUTE! I WANT TO SEE YOU!
ME? SURE!
DID YOU HAVE TO MAKE A GARDEN OVER MY LIVING ROOM?
Fisher

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Inquiry Into Irregularities In British Govt. Departments

COL. GEORGE'S EVIDENCE BEFORE TRIBUNAL

LONDON, Nov. 29 (Reuter)—The tribunal enquiring into alleged irregularities in British Government departments was told today that John W. Belcher, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, said to a London company director "the Labour Government will not last for ever" and when it fell someone might "offer me a directorship".

Colonel John Douglas George, Chairman of Aldford House Limited, said he had met Belcher at the flat of Sidney Stanley, Alien and Key witness in the enquiry who occupied a flat in Aldford House, an apartment building in London's fashionable park lane.

WAS MEANT AS JOKE

George stated that Belcher had told him: "The Government will not last for ever and I am very glad to meet men like you because when we go out of office, some of you might be inclined to offer me a directorship of companies in which you are interested.

"I said if there is anything you want at any time in my department, do not go through the normal channels. Get in touch with me direct and I may be able to help you considerably."

In answer to Sir Hartley Shawcross, Attorney General, Colonel George said he did not treat Belcher's remark as a joke.

In reply to Belcher's counsel he said he was prepared to accept that if Belcher used the words they were used in the ordinary way of being humorous to a business acquaintance.

WITNESS COLLAPSES

George said Stanley gave Mr. George Gibson, a Director of the Bank of England, a box of cigars in his flat and later told witness: "you cannot give a man in Mr. Gibson's position a gift of money or a participation in a financial deal, but it is possible to give a gift such as a box of cigars or a fur coat for a man's wife."

Stanley was trying to make it clear he would not prejudice a friend in a high position by making a gift which might cause criticism, witness said.

Cyril Joshua Ross, Chairman and Managing Director of a firm of furriers, collapsed in the witness box and had to rest before continuing evidence about financial transactions involving Stanley.

Bangalore Municipality Mourns Horniman's Death

The following resolution was passed at a recent meeting of the Bangalore City Municipal Council:

"This Council places on record its deep sense of sorrow on the sad demise of Shri B. G. Horniman, ex-Editor, "Bombay Sentinel" and the President may be pleased to convey this resolution to the members of the bereaved family."

Appeals For Stay Of Execution

Two Jap War Lords Ask U.S. Supreme Court To Review Trial

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29. (U.P.A.): General Kenji Doihara and ex-Premier Kiki Hirota asked the United States Supreme Court today for stay of execution and to review their trial and conviction.

The appeals of the two of the seven convicted Japanese war lords were made here by American attorneys David F. Smith and William Logan, Jr.

It was presumed here that the appeals might delay the executions of Doihara and Hirota until the Court acts. The Court at present is in recess. It appeared possible that the Tribunal would take no action on the appeals until it returns to bench next Monday.

Dispatches from Tokyo suggested that preparations were being made to hang the seven war lords today but there was no official word.

A statement issued in connection with the appeals from the Supreme Court said that the counsels representing the two war lords making appeals were "duly appointed" as defence attorneys during the trial of war criminals.

Court sources reveale that five other appeals were expected to be made within the next few days but they did not know who these would represent. Similar appeals were made in attempts to stay execution of some German war leaders last year.

TOKYO, Nov. 29, (U.P.A.): General Douglas MacArthur's Press spokesman Colonel M. P. Echols today indicated that MacArthur does not consider the appeals of Kenji Doihara and exPremier Kiki Hirota to the United States Supreme Court binding on him as the Allied Commander.

The spokesman said: "General MacArthur is acting as the final review authority under the powers granted by the Far Eastern Commission."

Doihara and Hirota said in their appeal that General Douglas MacArthur had no authority to establish the Military Tribunal which convicted them. They said their trial violated the United States Constitution and international agreements of the United States.

They also said that the acts of which they were accused were in line with their duties assigned by the Japanese Government.

The two men specified that they would not seek appeal in person before the Supreme Court if the tribunal decides to review their cases.

During the last two years, the Court has received a number of similar pleas by convicted German war criminals.

EXECUTION OF JAP WAR CRIMINALS DELAYED

TOKYO, Nov 30, (Reuter): General MacArthur, Allied Supreme Commander in Japan, has "indefinitely delayed" the executions of the seven Japanese war criminals sentenced to hang by the Allied War Crimes Tribunal.

Police Open Fire In Secunderabad

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) Nov. 29, (A.P.I): The Hyderabad police had to open fire in the air to disperse a hostile crowd in Nallakutta area, a notorious trouble spot of Secunderabad, tonight and two persons were injured by bullets. A nine-hour curfew was immediately imposed on the area.

A Nizam's police official said that the incident, which began as a drunken brawl, took a serious turn when a crowd, which had collected, attempted to rush a police picket. The police then opened fire in the air to disperse the crowd.

Order was soon restored and pressmen who visited the locality found everything quiet. Curfew will, however, remain in force till December 2 as a precautionary measure.

MADRAS, Nov. 29, (A.P.I.): To ensure efficiency in agricultural production, and to guard against prices falling to unremunerative levels, it was necessary to provide guaranteed prices and assured markets for such of the commodities the Government considered essential to be produced in the interests of the country. This view is understood to have been urged by Mr R. M. Sundaram, Director of Agriculture when he was examined today by the Agrarian Reforms Committee.

SANTHANAM'S ASSURANCE TO RAILWAYMEN

LUCKNOW, Nov. 30 (UPI): A sudden change in his engagement here yesterday was made by Mr. K. Santhanam, Minister of State for Railways and Transport, Government of India, on receipt of a request from Mr. P. K. Bose, Secretary, Workers Association, to the Minister to address a workers' meeting at Motijal Park.

Mr. Bose, who first addressed the large gathering, announced that the E.I. Railwaymen's Association had been amalgamated with the E.I. Railway Employees Union. He assured the workers that the All India Railwaymen's Federation was willing to play its part, though he complained that the Federation had been bypassed on several occasions.

Mr. Santhanam, speaking on the occasion, said that he fully appreciated the difficulties of the people in general and workers in particular, having himself in his life faced the trials of a Congress worker and travelled Third Class for 15 years. But the Government required time to remove the difficulties. The Government were doing their utmost to relieve the sufferings of the people. The Government, he said, were conscious of the anomalies arising out of the recommendations of the Pay Commission and were examining those anomalies. He then referred to the fact that the Government were about to face a deficit budget owing to the vast sums of money spent by them in giving relief to the refugees, on the defence of Kashmir and in the action taken in Hyderabad, and asked whether anybody could point out that any of those were unjustified items of expenditure.

Referring to the working of railways during the last three months, Mr. Santhanam observed that if this progress was maintained, they would turn the corner in 12 months' time and if there was a surplus railway budget, he assured that he would fight for a larger part of the surplus being devoted in the interests of the railway workers.

JODHPUR-PAKISTAN AGREEMENT

Transfer Of Rolling Stock To Be Completed By Dec. 9

(From A Correspondent)

JODHPUR, Nov. 29.

The transfer of rolling stock by the Jodhpur Railway to the Pakistan Government was finally decided on at a joint meeting held on October 5, 1948 and the first step to be taken in this direction was the placing of an irrevocable credit of Rs. 40 lakhs in the Imperial Bank of India, Jodhpur, by the Pakistan Government. Final advices regarding this credit of Rs. 40 lakhs were received by the Jodhpur Railway from the Imperial Bank of India, Jodhpur, on Nov. 17 and the terms of release of the credit were completed by the Pakistan Government on Nov. 19. The first rake of rolling stock was despatched from Jodhpur the same day. Up-to-date, approximately 60 per cent of the rolling stock has been handed over. The remaining 40 per cent will be handed over according to programme and it is hoped to complete the handing over by Dec. 9.

RECORD PIG IRON PRODUCTION IN AUGUST

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29: United States production of pig iron in August set a post-war monthly record at 4,735,825 metric tons, according to the American Iron and Steel Institute, a private organization. The August output was exceeded only in a few wartime months. Production in the first eight months of this year totalled 35,175,566 metric tons, an increase of about 77,350 metric tons over the same 1947 period.

ALUMINUM OUTPUT:

Demand for aluminum in the United States is 500,000,000 pounds ahead of 1948 production, although present output is more than four times the pre-war level, according to the Aluminum Association, a private organization. It reports that nearly 1,000,000,000 pounds of primary aluminum were produced in the United States in the first nine months of 1948. Current production averages 3,400,000 pounds a day.—USIS.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.

Previous closing	31.97
To-day's opening	31.98
Difference	+.01
To-day's closing Mutilated	
Difference	

LAST QUOTATIONS.

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Silver Bullion forward	178	6	0
Silver ready	178	6	0
Silver New settlement	177	6	0
Gold ready	113	4	0
Sovereign	75	8	0

NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.

Stock Exchange opening prices:
Anaconda Copper Mining 34 3/4
General Motors 57 1/4
United States Steel Common 67 7/8
United States Steel Preference unquoted.

London Stock Exchange Quietly Steady

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter): Business in London Stock Exchange today was mainly for the purpose of levelling positions. Today was the last day of account and price movements were small and generally without import.

There was sharp fall in Beira railway shares. The market was disappointed with the news of £4,000,000 payment as compensation on the takeover of the railway and shares fell from five seven and six to four six and three. Where changed, gilt-edged market was slightly easier.

Dealers continue to discuss the possibility of new government financing and prices drifted lower.

Building and store shares provided quietly firm spots in industrial section.

Tobaccos, textiles and steels remained steady in idleness.

Feature of the oil market was sharp rise in Venezuelan oil concessions. Gain of five sixteenths was shown at six and seven eighths and was due to bear covering and takeover hopes.

European bonds were easier on profittaking.

Mining sections were irregular. Movements in the South Africans were small and equally divided between dividend payers and non-producers.

Calcutta Share Market Steady

CALCUTTA, Nov. 30.

The market ruled steady along with a fair list of transactions round all sections. Following are today's final transactions up to 2-30 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Loan 1986 99/4, Three per cent Loan 1953/55 101/12, Three per cent Loan 1959/61 100/10 S. Lot, Three per cent 1966 68 100/2 S. Lot, Three per cent Loan 1970/75 100/2.

BANKS: Bharat Bank 4/1, Imperial Bank Conty 408, Calcutta National Bank 14/8.

COTTONS: Cawnpore Textiles 10/12, Elgin Mills 17/4, New Victoria Pref. 4/12 S. Lot.

COALS: Amalgamated 22/14, Bharat Colliery 6/12, Burrakur 21/12, South Karanbeja 4/13, Dhemo Main 13/14, Standard 18/8.

JUTES: Alliance 235 CT, Anglo India 292, Auckland 136, Champdany 202, Delta 242, National 26/10, Standard 210, Howrah 28 5 Naihati 124.

MININGS: Burma Corp. 3/7, Indian Copper 2/6.

ENGINEERINGS: Braithwate and Co. 9 19 Jessop and Co. 16/3, Textile Mashinery 7/2, Mocsellaneons Calcutta Electric 11/2, New Asiatic Insurance 5/4, Alluminium Corp. 5/8, Bararee Coke 19/2 B. I. C. 7/13, F. and G. Osler 9/8, Indian Alluminium 179 S. Lot, Ivan Jones 5/1, Jardine Henderson 160 8, National Tobacco 18/7, Rohtas Industry 8/6, Shree Gopal Paper 10 6, Assam Saws 7/9.

SUGARS: Balrampure 9/4, Belsund 4/8, Cerew and Co. 7/14.

TEAS: Gillapukhuri 19/4, Grop (B) 10 4, Hattikhira 18/12, Oodlabari 35, Sington 5/2.

Madras Share Market

MADRAS Nov. 30.

Following are today's quotations in the Madras stock market:—

SECURITIES: Government of India Loans: Three per cent Paper 99, Three per cent 1986 99/2, Do. 1970/75 100, Government of Madras Loan Three per cent 1960 100/14.

BANKS: Travancore 20/14.

PLANTINGS: Balmadies 1/6/6, Chembras 4/14, Cochin Malabar 5/1, Devashola 18/12, Midlands 5/7, Nellimampathys 1/8, Ouchterlony 5/3, Pullangodes 1/3, T. R. T. Co. 6/15, Thirumbadi 2/10, Vaikundam 7/7.

TEXTILES: Buckinghams 171, Do. Pref. 196, Cambodias 9/3, Coimbatore CM 99, Pioneer 101, Lakshmi 65, Maduras 43/4, Metturs 319, Radhakrishnas 133, Rajalakshmi 54, Ranga Vilas 45/8, Trav Rayons 4/14, Trichinopolys 11/14, Vasantas 100.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cements 66 F. A. C. T. S. 5/13, India Cements 15/13, Mettur Chem. 8/11, Mysore Chem. Fets. 8/6.

U. S. Living Costs Decline Slightly

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29: The first decline in U.S. living costs in seven months was announced last week by the Bureau of Labour Statistics.

The decrease was only less than one percent, but it broke a steady upward trend. It was based on the October figure of the monthly consumer price index of all commodities. The index dropped to 173.6 for October from the all-time high of 174.5 reached in August and September.

The decline was attributed to a substantial drop in retail food prices. This decline more than offset the increases in all other price groups, the Bureau said.

It was the third consecutive month of falling food prices. All classes of food except fish, eggs and beverages declined in price.

The October living cost index is six percent above a year ago and 30 percent above June, 1946, when the wartime price controls were eased.

The announcement of the price change came only a few hours after President Truman had named a group of experts to work out an anti-inflation programme for presentation to Congress early next year. The head of the group is Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers. He will be assisted by cabinet officers and other agency officials.

One high Government official said he believes the inflationary pressures are still stronger than deflationary tendencies. But there is better balance between them now than at any other time since the war, he said.—USIS.

B. A. & B. COM. EXAM RESULTS

The following candidates have passed the B.A. examination of the Bombay University, held in October 1948:

Second Class (Honours) No. 649.

Pass Nos:—1 2 3 5 7 8 9 10 11 12
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B. Com.

The following candidates have passed the B. Com. examination of the Bombay University, held in October 1948.

FIRST CLASS: No. 232.

SECOND CLASS: Nos. 10 46 50
137 240 263 265 399 440 455 459 463
477 503.

PASS CLASS: Nos. 1 2 4 6 8 14 16
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PASSED IN AN ADDITIONAL SPECIAL SUBJECT ONLY: Nos: 313
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Govt. Interference In Judiciary

Bangalore Bar Association's Resolution

BANGALORE, Nov 29. (A. P. I.): The Bangalore Bar Association today passed a resolution expressing regret on the "compulsory retirement" of Mr. G. Paramasiviah from the office of Chief Justice of Mysore.

The resolution apprehends that "in the light of recent events that his retirement is due to his study independence in dealing with cases involving civic rights and liberties" and views the action of the Government as a serious threat to the independence of judiciary in the state".

The Association urges that in the future constitution of the state, which was now being framed, adequate guarantees should be provided for safeguarding the independence of the judiciary by fixing the age of superannuation in the case of High Court Judges, their salaries and pensions specifying conditions and procedure according to which they might be removed from office before the age of super-annuation and otherwise placing the judiciary beyond interference from any quarter whatsoever.

KALYAN ELECTRIC POWER SUPPLY CO.

(From Our Correspondent)

KALYAN, Nov. 30.

The Kalyan Borough Municipality at a general Body meeting held on the 27th inst, passed a resolution requesting the Government of Bombay to take over the management of the Kalyan Electric Power Supply Co. Ltd., if the Supply Co. fails to restore the electric power. A deputation consisting of Mr. S. K. Hande, President, Mr. G. V. Bhide and Dr. B. K. Modak, ex-Presidents of the Kalyan Municipality, Mr B. D. Joshi, Secretary, Electric Consumers Association and Mr. D. G. Kamat, Electric Contractor waited on the Deputy Secretary to the Government of Bombay, yesterday and apprised the situation. According to the Electric Supply Company, power cannot be restored for a fortnight more. The Secretary is understood to have assured the deputation that the Government could look into the matter soon.

Court Causerie

(By Nestor)

HEARD IN THE BOMBAY HIGH COURT

Judge (granting an adjournment): "What day do you want"?

Counsel: "Any day your Lordship pleases."

Judge: "Doomsday?"

Counsel: "There will be nobody to hear judgment on that day."

Judge: "But you will get better judgment!"

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NOTES OF EVIDENCE

Most judges now-a-days do not take down notes of the evidence themselves but dictate them to the typist who takes them directly on the typewriter. In civil cases on the original side of the High Court typed copies of these notes are invariably made and furnished to the parties if they are prepared to pay for them. For some mysterious reason, however, this facility was not extended to the parties in the Criminal Sessions of the High Court, and is part of the heritage which has devolved on the newly-born City Sessions Court. All the judges of the new court dictate notes of evidence to their respective typists. If copies of these notes are furnished both to the prosecution and to the defence, it would certainly conduce to genral efficiency in the conduct of the case. It is very difficult for Counsel to examine a witness, to take down the answer which he gives and at the same time to formulate the next question to be put to the witness. Moreover, a common paging of the notes of evidence and an authentic record before him would facilitate quick, accurate and easy reference to the evidence by counsel on both sides in the course of their addresses to the jury. The only additional cost it would entail to Government would be the cost of the paper and the carbon used in the process. To charge for supplying a copy of these notes of evidence to the prosecution would be illusory since it would mean Government paying itself from one pocket into another. Nor would it be fair to charge the defence for such copy. Having regard to the class from which criminals are drawn, they would be unable to pay for it, and the humanity of our system of jurisprudence demands that the defence should not be denied any facility which is afforded to the prosecution. However, if the only question is one of charges, everyone would rather have it that both the prosecution and the defence should be charged for the copies rather than that copies of the notes of evidence should not be available to them at all.

RELIEF FOR SURAT AGRICULTURISTS

SURAT, Nov. 30. (A.P.I.): The District Magistrate of Surat has announced in a press note that in the areas of Choryasi and Olpad talukas where the crops have mostly failed due to the scarcity of rains no land revenue will be collected for this year from those areas where the yield is less than 25 per cent of the normal and that half of the land will be collected from the areas where the yield is between 25 to 37 and half per cent.

Land revenues could be totally forgiven only in the case of the failure of crops for three consecutive years the note added.

STATES MINISTRY AND NAWAB OF BHOPAL

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30. (A.P.I.): A spokesman of the States Ministry today denied there are differences between Nawab of Bhopal and the States Ministry.

"Recently", he said, "some tendentious messages have been appearing in the Press in regard to the so-called differences between the States Ministry and the Nawab of Bhopal. One newspaper even published a news item reporting a decision of the Government of India to detain the Nawab of Bhopal for his alleged anti-Indian attitude. There is no truth whatsoever in these reports and no controversy has arisen between the States Ministry and His Highness the Nawab of Bhopal".

Goods Train On B. N. Railway Derailed

NAGPUR, Nov. 30. (U.P.I.): The engine and seven wagons of a goods train capsized between Seoni and Bhomar stations yesterday, causing serious damage to the railway track.

As a consequence, through running of trains between Nainpur and Chhinddwara section of the Bengal-Nagpur Ray has been interrupted.

Passengers, parcels and mails are being transhipped at the site of the accident from this morning. The interruption is likely to continue for five days.

There was no injury to train-crew in the accident.

Grant For Literacy Classes In Ahmedabad

AHMEDABAD, Nov. 30 (API): The Labour Department of the Government of Bombay, which has received a grant of Rs. 1,16,500 for 1948-49, for launching literacy drive among the industrial workers of Ahmedabad, has opened a hundred literacy classes in different parts of the city which will be increased to 700 during the course of the year ending March 1949.

In response to an appeal of Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister, Millowners' Association has offered the premises of all its member — mills for opening the literacy classes for workers.

AGARTALA, Nov. 30, (U. P. I.): The campaign of loot and arson on the border of the Tripura State continues unabated. In the course of the last one month the Forest Offices at Kajamchora, Dhanpur, Jatrapur, Adampur, Matinagar and Radhanagar were burnt, while those at Nabadwip, Chandranagar and Jagannath Dighi were looted. Meetings are being held along the border of the State and "direct action" is being threatened against the State.

WORLD GOVERNMENT OR ATOMIC WAR?

Radhakrishnan On Choice For Nations

LONDON, Nov. 30, (Reuter): A recording by Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, Leader of the Indian Delegation to UNESCO, was heard at a meeting of the World movement for World Federal Government last night.

He said "we must recognise that the age of separate nations has closed and that the era of humanity has begun.

"Humanity can be saved only if the peoples of the nations are speedily educated to a sense of one world and give themselves a constitution which will guarantee world security.

"The hour of decision has come. It is either a world Government or a devastating atomic war".

Bombay Laughed Through Raging Storm

(Continued from Page 6)

the Fort via water-logged Queen's Road, was a comparatively easy matter.

THEY DID THEIR BIT

The wind blew; the rain poured. Despite my skid-proof shoes, I found walking on the roads a perilous proposition. But all along we found the streets filled with people. Perhaps, for the mere fun of it, or perhaps because they wanted fuel, or perhaps from nobler motives, there were people voluntarily hacking branches and twigs from fallen trees, pushing obstacles from the roadways. Others had thrown rope cordons round buildings which were in danger of falling. They stood by, and warned people off. Yet others took over the duties of the traffic police and warned people about blocked roads. And wherever we went we were greeted with a warm, welcome shout.

Arrived in office, I went out again with other colleagues on a professional tour of inspection. Down Wodehouse Bridge two boats were washed ashore. One was a total wreck and the other was intact, and here we found a boy trying to learn navigation!

In the Back Bay Basin there were five boats riding the stormy seas. We thought they were in peril and made anxious inquiries from a group of fisher folk who were watching from the shore. We were told that the men out at sea were in no danger of their life. They had voluntarily taken their boats out to sea because they would be wrecked otherwise. Riding the waves they were safe and if they capsized, the men could easily swim ashore, as the men from two other capsized boats had done earlier in the morning.

WATCHING THE DARKNESS!

This was the mood of the men who were in real danger. The men who were in no danger were allmost frivolous. Along Strand Road in front of the Taj, with crowds of people admiring the fury of the gale which could push massive boulders 15 feet away, there was one holiday maker, who had thrown a length of rope into the sea. He was trying to fish up a hat which had been blown off and was floating on the waves!

There were the same crowds of people everywhere we went. The onset of darkness made no difference. We saw the curious process of our copy for the special one-sheet edition of the paper being hand-composed. And then home, through the labyrinthine darkness of the crowded city streets. People stopped our van and asked for news. We asked one of them why so many of them were there.

"Diwali", was his cryptic reply.

Presumably he meant that the people were on the roads in the same holiday spirit which brings them out on "Diwali" days.

"But what can they see?" asked a colleague.

"Darkness, I suppose", replied another.

THE REPLY WAS NOT FUNNY. AFTER ALL THERE IS NOTHING NEW IN BOMBAY LIT. BUT BOMBAY DARK, IS AN EXPERIENCE. THE PARTIAL A.R.P. BLACKOUTS OF WAR DAYS WERE NOT A PATCH TO THE DARKNESS OF NOVEMBER 22.

NOR WAS THAT ALL. REACHING HOME, I FOUND THE SIX RADIOS WHICH BLARE AT THE DAY AND NIGHT FROM NEIGHBOURING FLATS, AGREEABLY SILENT, AND I COULD GO TO MY WELL-EARNED SLEEP—IN PEACE!

TRAVANCORE PREMIER FOR DELHI

TRIVANDRUM, Nov. 30, (API): Mr. T. K. Narayane Pillai, Travancore's Chief Minister, accompanied by his Private Secretary, Attorney-General and Secretary to the Department of Industries, left for New Delhi by air today to attend the meeting of the Atomic Energy Commission which is being held there.

It is believed, discussions regarding the mineral sands of the state will take place at the meeting between the Central and Travancore Governments.

INDO-IRAQ AMITY

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30, (API): In order to strengthen the friendly relations that already exist between them, the Government of India and the Government of Iraq have agreed to exchange diplomatic representatives at legation level, says a press communique.

INSURGENT LEADERS ARRESTED

BATAVIA, Nov. 30 (Reuter): Colonel Dadkosujono, Military Commander of the Indonesian Insurgents, Maruto Darusman, Secretary of the Indonesian "politbureau", and five other Communist leaders were arrested, the Republican news agency Antara, reported today from Jogjakarta.

They were captured near the Status Quo line at Penawangan village near Purwodadi.

GOVERNMENT LOAN

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30, (A.P.I.): The outstanding balance of the 4 per cent Rupee loan 1948-53 will be repaid on December 15, 1948, from which date no interest will accrue, says a press note from the Finance Ministry.

Steam Trains On Borivli-Virar Section

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Electric trains may not run for some more days to came in the Borivli-Virar section of the B.B. and C.I. suburban service while railway engineers are fast repairing the torn-up tele-communication system and the restoration of power supply is awaited, it is stated.

However, nine steam-run trains will serve the section at regular intervals daily till the repairs are completed. In addition, passengers residing between Borivli and Virar have been allowed to travel, as accommodation permits, by all through trains which will now stop at all the stations in the section. An exception has been made in the case of the Frontier Mail which will run through according to the old schedule.

A communication from the Railway authorities stated. "In view of the operating difficulties it is regretted that no improvement is possible until power can be restored and repairs carried out to tele-communications."

DELAY IN DEPARTURE

Another official note said that owing to the interference in tele-communications due to the recent cyclone, all through Down trains (except the Ahmedabad Passenger) are now leaving Bombay Central an hour earlier than the usual schedule and all through Up trains are arriving an hour later. This was described as "a temporary measure."

An Ahmedabad message stated that the trains which left Bombay Central on Monday night were reaching Ahmedabad three to seven hours late on account of the day-long demonstration at Bassein by squatters who held up normal train service for nearly ten hours on that day.

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, the Socialist leader, who was to have reached Ahmedabad on Tuesday by rail, will be arriving there on Wednesday by plane.

Stop Press

DR. RAJENDRA PRASAD.

BENARES, Nov. 30. (U.P.I.): Dr. Rajendra Prasad, who is reported to be at Wardha now to spend a quiet three months to recoup his health, will permanently stay there to devote the rest of his life to fulfil the task left unfinished by Mahatma Gandhi, learns the "United Press of India" from a reliable source, supposed to be in the closest touch with Dr. Prasad.

TWO KIDNAPPED AND KILLED.

VIJAYAVADA, Nov. 30. (U.P.I.): According to information reaching here to-day, about 50 Hyderabad State Communists, armed with lethal weapons, raided Indulapalli village on the night of Sunday last and carried away the Village Accountant and ryot of the village. It is reported that the two kidnapped persons have been killed within the State limits on order of the 'people's Court" of the State Communist Party.

KAK IN DELHI.

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30. (U.P.I.): Pandit Ram Chandra Kak, former Premier of Jammu and Kashmir State, who was recently released by the Abdullah Government, has arrived in New Delhi from Srinagar.

SIX COUNTRY CRAFT LOST.

KARWAR, Nov. 29. (A.P.I.): Six country vessels are reported to have been either wrecked or foundered in the sea during last week's cyclone, it was said here. Further, four vessels which had left ports of this district loaded with timber are reported missing.

PACIFIC PORT EXPLOSION.

PORTLAND, OREGON, Nov. 30. (Reuter): A waterfront explosion rocked a wide area of this Pacific port late night but a fire that broke out in a Municipal dockside building was soon brought under control. Twenty minutes after the blast had rocked a four-mile area of the city police reported that no deaths or serious casualties had been reported.

TRAIN COLLISION

DACCA, Nov. 30 (UPI): Two persons were killed and eight seriously injured as a result of a collision between two trains near Nandina Railway Station at 3-10 hours this morning.

FOG SHROUDS BRITAIN

LONDON, Nov. 30 (UPA): For the fourth straight day a thick, depressing fog shrouded Britain and the Continent and tied up air-line, ship and trains services. Weather experts said there was no sign of the fog lifting for at least 24 hours. The Berlin airlift was grounded completely early in the day.

RUSSIAN BID FOR CONTROL OF BERLIN

BERLIN, Nov. 30 (UPA): The Russian dominated Communist bloc of the Berlin Assembly split the city into two today as the Communist minority assemblymen of the Soviet sector ousted the western Berlin members, elected their own mayors and proposed to elect a new Assembly on a city-wide basis.

400 RENDERED HOMELESS

SURAT, Nov. 30 (API): About four hundred persons were rendered homeless by a fire at Poona, a village near Surat, yesterday. The fire which started in the locality inhabited by agricultural labourers, consumed about fifty huts with all their belongings.

FINE FOR OVER-FEEDING

SURAT, Nov. 30 (API): A fine of Rupees one thousand and one day's rigorous imprisonment was imposed by a magistrate of Surat, on a resident of Surat for giving dinner to a party, consisting of more than twenty-four persons in contravention of the Food Control Order.

WESTERN UNION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30, (U.P.A.): Government officials predicted today that the United States a year from now will be tied to defensive alliances embracing most of the western world. They identified these security arrangements as the Rio pact and the proposed North Atlantic Security alliance. Congress ratified the Rio pact last December and it is expected to go into effect next month.

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A Business Man's Diary

NEW BELIEFS IN COTTON MARKETS

Outside the Trading ring of the Cotton Exchange at Kalbadevi Road and at Sewree Spot Market, the General feeling was against compulsory closing down of outstanding forward contracts. Present prices in the forward market are about Rs. 22/- under the Government ceiling price and there exists no emergency. As a matter of fact in the spot market no cotton is available below ceiling price. Thus it is not the forward market which is at fault. Some ready cotton merchants complain that they are unable to bring any cotton in Bombay as railway authorities give facility of transport of cotton from upcountry to mills only. Some merchants fear that there is a hidden motive behind the present move to oust mucadams and instead ready cotton going into godowans of these middlemen, a system of bonded ware house be introduced. With a view to reducing the cast of handling cotton.

SILVER SYNDICATE ACTIVE

The newly formed Silver syndicate has now assumed the full charge of the Bullion Market and Steady Silver prices are raised to higher levels while, in the other hand, Silver is declining in New York. This is a proof positive of undue speculative activity which needs effective check. The Government has recently given a democratic constitution in the belief that the trade will continue in the interest of people but in effect it is being worked for the interest of a few rich. We have now organised Clearing Houses for paying and receiving differences of each settlement. It will be easy to find where profits go.

HOW CONSUMERS BEHAVE IN U. S. A.?

The market value of U. S. Output of goods and Services reached a record annual rate of 255,900 million dollars in the third quarter of this year, an increase of 5,500 million dollars over the previous peak reached in the second quarter. Sharp increase in Federal Government expenditure for foreign aid and for price support of certain agricultural commodities was the chief cause of a 4,200 million dollar increase in expanditures. Personal income was at a record annual rate of 213,900 million dollars, an increase of 4,900 million dollars over the Second Quarter. The advance was accounted for by a 6,000 million dollar increase in payrolls, reflecting increased employment, absence of major labour disputes and wage increases. Savings rose sharply from an 11,700. Million dollar rate in the Second Quarter to a 15,200 million dollar annual rate in the third quarter. This goes to confirm the previous indications of a gradual transition of a more passive consumer behaviour — consumers are spending less, saving more. If consumers in this country follow to some extent the behaviour of consumers in the United States, some of our economic difficulties will be solved easily.

CASTOR SEEDS MARKET DOWN

The behavier of the castor Seeds Market indicates downward trend. The Sharp decline in prices on the 25th inst., was followed by a technical rally in the past four days but today the market impressed a vigorous drop on the reported selling by a Gujarati operator. There are always periods of accumulation at the lower level and distribution near the top. A friend tells me heads and shoulders are formed on the price chart of Castor Seeds May delivery. His shoulder is Rs. 135/6 which he believes to be a safe "stop loss" level to cover unprotected sale.

E. I. C. A. BOARD MEETING POSTPONED

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

The Board of Directors of the East India Cotton Association met this afternoon to give its final dicision on the Persent Situation of cotton market. There was lengthy discussion today and no decision was arrived. The meeting was postponed today and will meet again tomorrow at 3 p.m.

World Rubber Production Sets All-Time Record

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.: world production of 147,320 metric tons of natural rubber during September set an all-time record, according to the Department of Commerce. The record figure reported by the Secretariat of the Rubber Study Group, is substantially above the average of 133,784 metric tons for the three previous months, the Rubber Division of the Office of Domestic Commerce pointed out.

Total world output of natural rubber during the first nine months of 1948, as estimated by the Rubber Study Group, now stands at 1,140,460 metric tons, an increase of 213,360 metric tons over the comparable period in 1947.

September production was featured by a new post-wah record of 52,425.6 metric tons exported from Indonesia, and a high production of 65,328.8 metric tons in Malaya.

World consumption of natural rubber in September, marked by unusually large imports by Russia, is estimated by the Secretariat at 124,460 metric tons, also a new postwar record. This includes 52,730.4 metric tons consumed in the United States and 71,729.6 metric tons in all other countries. Consumption during the first nine months of 1948 amounted to 1,031,240 metric tons, an increase of 238,760 metric tons over the similar period last year.

World stocks of rubber, excluding stocks in Russia, stocks held by the British Government, and United States strategic stocks are estimated at 812,800 metric tons as of September 30, an increase of 36,474.4 metric tons since June 30.

World production of 40,640 metric tons of synthetic rubber in September brought the total for nine months to 403,860 metric tons Consumption in September was 43,180 metric tons, and for the year to date, 373,380 metric tons. Stocks of synthetic rubber increased from 78,740 metric tons on January 1, to 114,900 metric tons on September 30.—U. S. I. S.

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

Steel Shares React After Early Improvement But Tone Steady

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

Improved conditions continued today in Tata Steel Defd. shares on the Bombay stock exchange on professional support and it seems that shorts were covering at high prices. Textile shares were steady with scattered improvement. Bank shares were quiet with a limited business, while in the miscellaneous section Cements Belapur and Burmas were steady.

Tata Steel Defd. shares opened at Rs. 1557/4 and after improving at Rs. 1557/8 steadied at Rs. 1556/4 ordinary shares were quiet around Rs. 290/8 Bengal Steels were done at Rs. 18/13 while Indian Irons after reaching the level of Rs. 23 steadied at Rs 22/15 Tata Steel 2nd Pref. shares were in demand at Rs. 136.

Among cotton mill shares, Dyeings were steady at Rs. 1011/4 while Central Indias wer done at Rs. 255. Finlays came in business at Rs. 277 Gokaks were placed at Rs. 275. Indore Malwas after improving at Rs. 190 steadied at Rs. 187/8 Kohinoors opened at Rs. 277 and quietened at Rs. 275.

In the Bank section Centrals were in demand at Rs. 85/8. Imperials fully paid were done at Rs. 1725 while partly paid were placed at Rs. 425. New India Assurance were quoted at Rs. 60/8.

Among Eelctric shares business was limited and prices were steady Tata Hydros and Powers came in business at Rs. 155 and 1552/8 respectively Andhras were placed at Rs. 1430.

In the Miscellaneous section Associated Cement improved to Rs. 150 while Belapurs were done at Rs. 238 Burmas were steady at Rs. 343/12 Premier Constructions opened at Rs. 147 and declined to Rs. 343/12. Premier Constructions Rs. 20/12/6.

Alcocks were steady at Rs. 287/8 Bombay Steamers were quoted at Rs. 396/4 and Wimcos were done at Rs. 265.

FORWARD SECTION

Bombay Dying (12-8)	1008	12
Kohinoor Mills (6) XD	273	8 0
Swadeshi Mills (22) XR	284	0
Central India Mills (4)	254	0
Simplex Mills (S)	177	8
New Great Eastern (10)	154	0
Gokak Mills (9 plus 3)	274	0
Indore Malwa (20) XR XD	187	8
Century Spinning (15) XD	243	12
Colaba Land and Mills (12)	168	12
Indian Bleaching (6)	155	0
Swan Mills (20)	321	0
Finlay Mills (15)	277	0
Morarji Goculdas (S)	501	4
Edward Sassoon (30)	503	12
Meyer (12)	130	0
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	3	0 6
India United Ord. (0-13-9)	11	15
India United Dfd (0-2-6)	1	10 3
Madhusudan Mills (15)	210	0
Podar (S)	155	0
Khatau Makanji (8) XD	246	4
STEEL SHARES		
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	289	0
Tata Steel Dfd. (64-15-0)	1550	0
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-8)	135	12
CEMENT		
Associated Cement (5)	149	12
INDUSTRIES		
Burma (12-8)	338	2
Belapur Sugar (12)	236	8
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	30	0
Scindia Steam (1-4)	20	6
Premier Construction	143	0
Tata Chemical	13	5
Tata Oil (2)	55	0
Indian Iron (0-12)	22	13
Bengal Steel (0-8-0)	18	13
Wimco	265	0
Alock	293	12
Belapur Coupon	61	0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS		
Elphinstone Mills (5)	72	0
Phoenix Mills (50)	481	4
Indian Manufacturing XD	4350	0
Kooria Mills (S)	131	4
David Mills (5)	191	4
New City Mills (10)	190	0
Minerva Mills (12)	128	12
Bradbury Mills (12)	615	0
Bharucha Deld (0-4)	5	8
Bharat Mills (2)	33	8
Mysore Spg. Mils (8)	192	8
Machavji Dharamsi (0-12)	15	2
Model Mills (12-8)	198	12
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	612	8
Visnnu Cotton (8)	228	12
Western India (40)	3900	0
Standard Mills (15)	245	0
Sholapur Mills (200)	3900	0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	10	0
Hindustan Mills (40)	4290	0
Tata Mills (3)	62	8
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	280	0
Ahmedabad Advance New	195	0
Sassoon Silk (3)	77	8
New Union Mills (0-8)	13	1
Madhusudan B (2-8)	47	0
Srinivas Mills (S)	181	4
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	100	0
Berar Mills	305	0
Victoria Mills	245	0
Colaba Land Coupon	42	0
New Great New	142	0
ELECTRIC SHARES		
Tata Hydro (4-4-0)	155	0
Andhra Valley (45)	1430	0
Tata Power (50)	1552	8
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	115	10
Ahmedabad New	12	8
Surat Electricity (2-8	146	14
Karachi Electric (2)	132	8
Broach (0-5)	10	12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10	2
Amalgamated (0-12)	12	2
Nasik Electric (1-12)	26	8
Poona Electdric Suply (S)	151	4
Bombay Suburban (3)	146	4
Bombay Suburban New (2)	131	4
BANK SHARES		
Reserve Bank (2-12)	113	8
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1735	0
Imperial Bank of India (8-12)	421	14
Central Bank Old (1-8)	85	0
Central Bank New (1-8)	84	0
Bank of India (4) XR	188	0
Union Bank of India (0-5)	8	3
Bank of Baroda	149	8
Habib Bank (4)	158	0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	52	0
United Commercial (1-8)	62	8
Hindustan Commercial	46	12
Jaipur Bank (1/6)	48	0
Mysore Bank (8)	365	0
Exchange Bank (1-8)	30	0
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	105	0
INSURANCE		
Oriental (125) XD	4700	0
Empire (10)	575	0
New India (1-8)	60	12
Jupiter (1-4)	25	8
Vulcan (0-10)	13	2
Indian Mercantile (2)	39	8
Universal (0-4)	11	4
B I G (1)	19	0
Industrial and Prudential	29	8
Neptune Assurance	7	0
New Great	25	0
All India General	19	2
RAILWAY SHARES		
Central Provinces (1-14)	110	0
Pachora Jamner Rly (2-8)	112	0
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES		
Bombay Steamer (10)	396	4
Bombay Burma New (5)	121	4
Burma Petrol	1 11	9
Mackenzie (6)	92	8
Port Canning (3)	70	0
Kemp and Co (30)	462	8
Kemp and Co (New)	442	12
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	150	0
Industrial Invest Trust (4)	97	0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	94	8
Mukund Iron	10	0
Dena Trust (0-12)	21	0
Alembic Chemical (15) XR	203	12
Supreme India XR	123	12
Jam Wire (6)	67	8
Bombay Uganda	69	0
Bombay Motor Cycle	39	8
Indian Cement (1937)	25	0
Walchand Nagar Industries (B.S.)	152	8
United Motor	74	0
Associated Cement New (1-4)	141	8
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	1002	8
Hydary Construction	19	10
Mahmadi Steam	95	0
Gujarat Motor	25	2
Sardar Carbonic XD	750	0
Harvey Press	310	0
Estrela Batteries	51	0
Prince of Wales Press	610	0
Manmad Press	120	0
PREFERENCE SHARES		
Tata Steel 1st (6)	195	0
Andhra Valley (7)	1250	0
Tata Power (7-8)	1357	8
Hydro Electric (7)	126	4
Bombay Steamer (6)	312	8
Central India (5)	632	8
Swadeshi Mills	128	12
Vishnu Mills (7)	667	8
Lakshmi Mills	277	8
New Great Mills (5-8)	230	0
Podar Mills (4)	108	0
Shrinivas Mills	98	0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	116	4
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	379	6
Surat Electricity (3-4)	140	0
Premier Construction 1st (6 1/4)	120	0
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	120	0
Amalgamated (5-8)	123	2
Habib	72	0
Tata Chemical (5)	132	8
Walchand Nagar Indus (7)	160	0
Jupiter General	19	14
Supreme	100	0
Meyer	121	4
Mackenzie 1st	85	0
Mackenzie 2nd	80	0
Ahmedabad Advance	132	8
Mysore Mills	50	0
Standard Mills	101	0
Madhusudan Mills	12	0
Khatau Mills	106	0
Morarji	111	0
DEBENTURES		
Andhra 1952 (4)	103	8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	107	0
Indian Hume Pipe (6)	106	0
Tata Power 1951	103	0
Walchand Nagar (6)	112	0
OUTSIDE SHARES		
India Copper (0-1-9)	2	4
British India Corp (0-10) CR	7	10
Burma Corporation	3	7
New Victoria Mill	3	0
New Victoria Pref.	5	4
Phalton Sugar (8)	121	0
Gold Mohur (20)	320	0
New Kaiser-I-Hind	400	0
Sajjan Mills (20)	202	8
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	280	0
Azam Jahi Mills (10)	330	0
Air Service XR	9	4
Ambica Air Lines	11	0
Air India (100)	118	12
Hind Motor	5	15
India Steam	9	14

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

MILLS

Apollo 2/15/6 3/0/6 3 3/0/6.
Bharat 33/4 33/8.
B. Dyeing 1012/8 11/4 12/8 11/4 12/8 8/12.
C. India 255 56 54.
Century 243/12.
Finlay 277.
Gokak 276 77 74 75 74.
I. U. Defd. 1/9/3 1/10/3.
I. U. Ord. 11/14 12/0/6 11/15 12 11/15.
Indore 188/12 87/8 90 87/8.
Kohinoor 277 77/8 73/8 74 72/4 73/8.
Laxmi 612/8.
Madhavji Defd. 15/2.
Madhusudan 210.
Model 198/12.
Minerva 128/12.
New Great 155/8 56 53/8 54.
Podar. 155.
Simplex 180 81 77/8
Swadeshi 288 84 84/8 84.
Swadeshi Pref. 128/12
Tata Mills 62/8 63 62/8.
Vishnu 228/12.
C. P. Rly. 110.

BANKS.

Baroda 150 49/8.
Centra. 86 85 85/8 85.
Central A Ord. 84
Imperial Old 1735 25 35.
Imperial New 425 21/4.
India 188.
Union 8/10.
U. Commercial 62/8.

ELECTRIC.

Ahmedabad 110/4 15/10 16/4 15/10.
Amalgamated 12/2.
Andhra Valley 1430
Suburban 146/4.
Surat 146/4.
Hydro 154 60.
Power 1550 52/8.
New India 60 60/12

STEAMER.

B. Steam 396/4 98/12 96/4.
Scindia 21 20/6

STEEL.

B. Steel 18/13 18/15 18/12 18/13.
I. Iron 22/11 23 22/12 22/14 22/13.
Tata Deld. 1551/4 55 52/8 57/8 53/12 56/4 50.
Tata Ord. 290 90/8 90 91/4 89.
Tata Hnd Pref. 136/8 36/12 35/12.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 290 87/8 93/12.
A. C. C. Old 148/12 50/12 49/8 49/12.
A. C. C. New 141/8
Belapur 238 37 38 36 36/8.
B. B. Old 343/12 45 38/2.
B. B. New 121/4.
B. B. Petrol 1/14 1/11 1/11/9.
I. Bleaching 155.
Port Canning 70.
P. Const. 147 47/8 48.
Shivrajpur 30.
Tata Chem. 13/5 13/6 13/5.
Tata Oil 54/12 55
Wimco 262/8 65

SPECIAL.

Belapur Coupon 61.
Khatau Pref. 106.

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

The Local Bullion market opened steady to-day and recorded decline on profit taking, but later on prices rallied on professional support.

Forward Silver opened at Rs. 177-10 and after declining at Rs. 177-6 steadily improved to Rs. 177-12 and then steadied at Rs. 177-10. Ready Silver was also done at Rs. 177-10.

Forward Gold at the opening was quoted Rs. 112-10 and after declining at Rs. 112-8 improved to Rs. 112-12 and steadied. Ready Gold was done at a premium of annas 6 at Rs. 113-2, while sovereigns were placed at Rs. 75-2. Towards the close again today bulls came in to buy and Forward Silver Steady improved to Rs. 178-5. Gold in sympathy with Silver recorded small improvement. Final quotations were as under:—

Forward Silver	Rs. 178-4
Ready Silver	Rs. 178-5
Forward Gold	Rs. 112-15
Ready Gold	Rs. 113-5
Sovereigns	Rs. 75-4

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

B. C. Rates F. T. D. D. 1/6 15/16 Ready.

B. C. Rates F I D. D. 1/6 29/32 up to 6 Mos.

London Banks Selling F. T. D. D. 1/6 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling F. T. D. D 1/6 15 16 up to 6 Mos.

London Banks Buying F F. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month

London Banks Buying F T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.

London Banks Buying D D. 1/6 1 16 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying D D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying D D. 1/6 1/8 7th-9th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1 6 1/8 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1 6 3/16 7th-9th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3 16 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th-9th Month

New York & Montreal B C Rate F T Rs 332 1/4.

Banks Selling T. T. D D Rs. 332 1/4

Banks Buying T. T. Rs 330

Banks Buying D. D N. Y Rs 328 3/4 Montreal Rs. 328 1/2.

Banks Buying D D N. Y Rs 329 Montreal Rs. 328 3/4 L/C.

Paris Bar Selling T. T. Fcs 7860

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 8060

Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D D Fl 79

Belgium Banks Selling T. T. D. D Fcs 1305

Java Banks Selling T. T. D D. Gldn 79.

Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 84

Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 157.

Manila Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 165 1/4.

New York London Cross Rate dol 4 02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4. London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 52.57-58 43.

London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pia 97 1/4-3/4; London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl 4.10.68-70. London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl 40; London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs 176 1/2-3/4; London Denmark Cross Rate Kr 19.32-36; London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/3 1/16-1/2 15/16; London Iran Cross Rate Rl 128/130 London/Java Cross Rate Fl 10.68-70; London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es 99.80-100.20; London Manila Cross Rate Pes. 8.09-8.14. London/Montreal Cross Rate dol 4 02 3/4-4.03 1/4 London/New York Cross Rate dol 4 02 3 4-4.03 1/4; London/Oslo Cross Rate Kr 19.98-20.02. London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs. 10.61-10.63; London/Prague Cross Rate K 201-202; London Singapore Cross Rate 3/4 1/16-2/4 3/16; London Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50; London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs. 17.34-36; London/Syria Cross Rate 880-5.

London Discts 3 Mos. 9/16 p.c.; London Discts. 6 Mos. 5/8 p.c.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c.; Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money:—Call 1/2 p.c.; 3 Mos 3/4 p.c. 6 Mos 1 p.c 12 Mos 1-1/2 p.c.

Tone:—Easy

Indian Stock Exchange

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

Tata Ordinary	289 6
Tata Deferred	1550 0
Indian Iron	22 13
Steel Corpn. of Bengal	18 13
Bombay Dyeing	1008 12
Central India	254 6
Gokak	274 6
Kohinoor	273 12
Simplex	277 8
Swadeshi	284 6
Tata Power	1552 8
Associated Cement	149 12
Belapur	236 14
Bombay Burma Old	238 12
Scindia	20 8
Central Bank	85 0
New India	60 12
Tata 2nd Pref.	135 10

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

After steady opening, casteorsseds prices recorded sharp drop on the local produce market on heavy selling by professional operators and absence of buying support.

Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs. 134-4 and after improving at Rs. 134-7 sharply declined to Rs. 132-10 on increased liquidation and utter absence of buying. At this low level there was scattered buying and prices rallied at Rs. 132-14. Thereafter trading was restricted and prices moved within a narrow range.

Groundnuts and Linseed were quiet with moderate trading.

Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS:—			
Khandesh quality	35	0	0
Coromandal	34	4	0
Bold Ready	34	4	0
Bold Dec.-Jan.	33	4	0
Bold Feb-March	33	1	0
CASTORSEEDS—			
Ready	30	0	0
May delivery	132	12	0
LINSEEDS—			
Ready	27	11	0
Nov.-Dec. delivery	27	9	0
Feb-March	27	4	0
GROUNDNUT OILS—			
Ready Mills	20	6	0
December	19	7	0
January	19	1	0
February	19	0	0
Linseed Oil	16	12	0
Castorseed Oil first pressing	19	0	0
Castorseed Oil Commercial quality	17	8	0
Gingelly seed	225	to	230

TRADING REMAINS SUSPENDED IN COTTON MARKET

Operators Await Board's Decision

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

The local cotton market again suspended forward trading and operators all now awaiting Board of Directors' decision. The Board is meeting this afternoon at 3-30 p.m.

Sugar Prices

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

	Rs.	as.	p.
Small	96	0	0
Medium	104	8	0
Big	109	8	0
Extra Big	112	0	0
Dec. Old Crop	32	8	0
Dec. New Crop	33	4	0
Jan. Old Crop	31	4	0
Jan. New Crop	32	0	0
Arrivals Bags		830	
March	31	0	0
Despatches Bags Approx		3,000	
Total Stock Bags Approx		65,000	

Note:—U P Government has fixed the price or sugar cane at Rs. 1-10-0.

Italian Art Silk Yarn

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

150 D. Nov.	3	4	9
150 D. Dec.	3	4	9
120 D. Ready	3	5	0
150 D. Ready	3	5	0
22/22 YELLOW SILK			
November	30	8	0
December	28	4	0
Ready	30	8	0

Hessian Market

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

	Pics.
45XII.	
Ready	112-1/2
Oct.-Dec.	114
Jan.-March	115
D W. 40X28	
Ready	131 0 0
Oct.-Dec.	128 0 0
Jan.-March	124 0 0

Pepper Prices

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

Magsar dely.	210 to 212
Mana dely.	198 to 200

SETTLEMENT OF SHIPPING STRIKE TELLS ON NEW YORK COTTON

Futures Rise 3 To 15 Points

NEW YORK, Nov. 29, (U.P.A.): Cotton steadied after a shaky opening regaining equilibrium on the resumption of covering in December delivery along with retirement of local and New Arleans professionals who covered the early sales when the week-end accumulation of hedge selling failed to develop on he expected scale on the New York Cotton Exchange today.

JAPAN TO RE-ENTER

The rumours that Japan shortly may re-enter the market for cotton, along with the settlement of the east coast shipping strike placed the export picture in a brighter light despite recent complications on the financing for Britain's purchases under ECA authorizations. The slow-down in hedge selling toay coupled with the recent rainy weather over large sections of the South, which impeded the harvest of the remainder of crop and at the same time, generated fears of damage to the grade of open cotton

NEW YORK COTTON CLOSINGS.

New York, Nov. 29.

December	31.97+11
March	31.97+13
March Highest	31.98+14
March Lowest	31.81—03
May	31.78+15
July	30.90+13
October	28.62+03
Middling Spot	32.44+14

NEW ORLEANS COTTON CLOSINGS.

New York, Nov. 29.

December	31.90+15
March	31.97+16
May	31.79+16
July	30.92+14
Middling Spot	31.40+10

END OF STRIKE

The settlement of Atlantic Coast shipping strike proved to be another uplifting influence in the late session since resumption of normal traffic is expected to expidite the clearances to the Marshall Plan countries.

Despite Britain's decision to halt cotton shipments pending a clarification of ECA regulations most of the local traders were convinced that the export demand eventually will reach large-scale proportions. Export potentialities plus inications for unusually heavy loan inpoundings have strengthened the viewpoint of some observers friendly toward the long side that the cotton industry eventualy may be faced with artificial scarcity in commercial channels.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.

American Telephone and Telegraph	150-7/8
Amerex Holding Co.	21-1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining	34-1/2
Chase National Bank	32-5/8
Sinclair Oil	21
Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co.	44-3/4
General Electric Co.	37-1/8
General Motors	57-1/8
Ingersoll Rand	72
International Nickel	29-1/2
National City Bank of New York	36-5/8
New York Central Rail Road Co.	12-3/4
Socony Vacuum Corporation	16-3/8
Texas Corporation	52-1/8
Union Carbide	88-5/8
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	38-1/2
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	69-5/8
Western Union Telegraph	16

LOCAL OPERATORS LONG

The market today opened three lower to three higher. It fluctuated listlessly through forenoon and then moved up in mid-afternoon on the brightened export picture along with the renewed shipper buying and the assumption of long position by some local operators.

The market closed finally three to 15 higher.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Nov. 29.

Consols 2-1/2 p.c	50-1/4
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p.c. 1961	106-5/8
Funding Loan 4 p.c. 1960/90	113-15/16
War Loan 3-1/2 p.c. 1952 and after	103-9/16
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	103
National Bank of India	35-3/4

Transaction on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 7.463

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Nov. 29.

T. T. London on:—

New York Selling 4.0275, Buying 4.0325; Montreal Selling 4.0275, Buying 4.0325; Zurich Selling 17.34, Buying 17.36; Stockholm 14.47 to 14.50.

Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, November 30.

S. S. SERAMPORE

From Copenhagen: 500 bags pearl barley, 100 cartons crisp crackers, 600 ctns sweetened colour fuicream milk, 310 cases milk powder, 60 boxes canned fruits, 260 cases liver preparation, 400 bags white portland cement, 400 bags empty paper bags, 50 cases condensed milk.

From Havre: 170 cases aperiaps, 100 cases rayon thread, 124 cases woodscrews, 225 cases tinmen rivets.

From Rotterdam: 712 bags superior white dexterine, 100 bags yellow dexterine, 200 bags dexterine, 160 bags solid glues, 75 cases motor cycles, 100 cases glabox powder, 30 cases knitting wool.

From Marseilles: 285 carboys chlorine peluse.

From Legnorn: 91 packages marble slabs, 18,275 pieces marble tiles, 72 pieces marble slabs, 50 bales rugs, 430 bags marble chips, 8,700 barkets potatoes.

From Genoa: 1,226 cases art silk yarn, 177 cases aniline colour, 80 bales artificial silk, 63 cases rayon yarn, 250 bags art silk staple fibre yarn, 105 cases rayon yarn, 737 cases conduit pipes, 90 cases ship chains, 508 drums caustic soda.

From Aden: 32 bags gum methi seed, 32 drums empty drums.

S. S. CALEDONIA

From Glasgow: 70 bales second-hand clothing, 349 bales rose head nails, 380 bags steel nails, 294 bags cut nails, 780 bags cut steel nails, 294 bags rose nails, 63 bags screws, 885 cases Asop legger beer, 200 cases gin, 101 cases whiskey, 200 cases brown cork, 300 cases beer, 112 bags ground ore clay, 167 bags window glass, 459 pieces sanitary earthenware, 208 crates sewing machines, 328 cases pedal cycles, 434 ctns sewing cotton threads on reels, 107 ctns sewing cotton threads on cups and cones, 47 coils steel wire ropes, 102 cases paper, 200 drums malt extract, 58 rolls linoleum, 165 bales printing paper, 100 bags nails, 100 loose steel tubes, 50 bundles steel sheet cuttings,

From Liverpool: 167 bundles blank-annealed skins, 100 bales paper, 47 bundles cycle chains, 2,010 bundles steel sheet cuttings 31 drums poisoning composition, 18 cases stationery, 889 bundles steel sheets, 36 trusses picking coils, 36 bundles seemless steel tubes, 73 loose ordinary steel bars, 100 cases beer 50 cases stout, 38 bundles steel bars, 600 abgs sulphate of ammonia, 80 cases textile machinery, 29 bundles pipings, 60 drums hydrosulphide of soda, 45 bags cycle accessories, 92 bundles unitcore colder, 126 ctns valuable stones, 400 drums sodium hydrosulphide, 108 cases window glass, 100 loose weights.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT:

S. S. KARANJA

To Dar-es-salam: 40 cases toilet soap—The Tata Oil Mills Co., Ltd.

To Mombasa: 12 cases brass locks —Rameshchandra & Co., 20 cases castor oil—Diptchand & Co.

S. S. TAMPA

To Copenhagen: 200 bags stealite powder—Shaw Wallace & Co., Ltd.

S. S. JALAGOPAL

To Karachi: 50 bags epsom salt—The General Acid Supply Co. 125 cases pepper mint—A. S. Rahimtulla & Bros. 235 bags myrabollams—K. Trikamji. 67 bundles sole leather—H. A. K. M. Isaq. 100 cases castor oil—I. C. Kasambhai & Co. 94 bags glass bottles—All-India Bottle Supplying Co. 500 lumps jagree and 100 cases peppermint—T. Bhikabhai. 125 cases glass ware—India Commercial Co. 100 cases peppermint—A. Ismail & Co. 300 lumps jagree—A. H. Abdulla Bros. 100 cases confectionery—H. S. Rahimtulla. 898 cases cigarettes—Imperial Tobacco Co. of India Ltd.

S. S. VIRGINIA MAY

To Karachi: 80 cases art. silk piecegoods—H. H. H. Jamal. 119 cases safety matches—Western India Match Co.

S. S. BAMORA

To Karachi: 50 bags emsom salt—Premier Acid & Chemical Co.

S. S. LOUISA CITY

To Colombo: 420 bags cummin seed —Harmansigh & Sons.

S. S. PRESIDENT HARDING

To New York: 134 bags gum albanum—H. M. Kerawalla.

S. S. CANARA

To Sydney: 18 bales cotton waste—Pandya & Co.

S. S. ALMKERK

To Sydney: 50 bales cotton waste—Barot Bros. & Co. 25 bales cotton waste—Jani & Co.

To Melbourne: 666 bags myrabollams—P. Haridas & Co.

S. S. EXPRESS

To Philadelphia: 2,000 bags myrabollams—R. Bachoobhai.

Arrivals and Departures Of Steamers

BOMBAY, November 30.

ARRIVALS

"S. S. EXPRESS" (American Export) from New York on November 29 with 2 passengers and general cargo 1.775 tons. Agents L. Edwards.

"M. V. NEOCARDIA" (Anglo-Saxon Petroleum) from New Plymouth on November 29. Agents Burmah Shell.

"S. S. PERSEPHONE" (J. Nikforos), from Port Okha on November 29 with 4,700 tons cement Agent Scindia.

"ALMKERK" (United Netherlands) from Rotterdom on November 29 with 15 passengers and general cargo 7.300 tons. Agents Forbes Forbes.

DEPARTURES

"OVERO" (Cia Argentina de Navegacion Dodero) for Buenos Aires on November 29 with general cargo.

"UNITA (H. M. Wrangell) for Rangoon on November 29 with general cargo 800 tons

New Low Ground Reacted In Wall Street

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.

The stockmarket was narrow in quiet well-divided featureless trade with most individual group trends hazy. The undercurrent

NO VIOLATION OF PLEDGE OF 'PURNA SWARAJ'

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30 (API): Prof. Sibbanial Saxena, member of the Constituent Assembly, who is also a member of the All-India Congress Committee, has given notice of a resolution to be moved at the Jaipur Congress session urging that India shall have the status of a completely sovereign independent state "like America or Russia", and that she shall "sever all link with the British Commonwealth of nations".

TEXT OF RESOLUTION

The following is full text of the resolution:—

"This session of the Indian National Congress has carefully considered the proposal to maintain some sort of link with the British Commonwealth of Nations even after declaring the country as a sovereign independent republic by the device of passing a Commonwealth Nationality Act conferring on every Indian citizen a second citizenship of the Commonwealth wherein the British King shall be the first citizen of the Commonwealth. The Congress feels that even though the Indian people may try to forget the bitter memories of the two hundred years of slavery under British rule, culminating in the parting kick of artificial and forced partition of the country as the price of the British withdrawal, they cannot ignore the present hostile attitude of even the British Labour Government towards India on the Kashmir and Hyderabad issues in the U.N.O., and their Actual participation in Pakistan's aggression towards India by allowing several hundreds of British military officers to serve with Pakistan forces even after Pakistan's admission that its forces are fighting in Kashmir and after the unanimous finding of the U.N.O. Commission on Kashmir that the fact that all the forces fighting on the Azad side were under the overall command and tactical direction of the Pakistan army, as admitted by the Pakistan Government, had confronted the commission with an unforeseen and entirely new situation. Besides, India cannot remain in a commonwealth wherein Indians are treated as an inferior race and are subjected to numerous humiliations as in South Africa and Kenya, and discriminating restrictions as in Australia and Canada.

FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE

"Independent India would certainly like to maintain cordial relations with every country including the Commonwealth countries on the basis of complete equality and in consonance with its self respect, but it would enter into special treaty relations with other nations only when the interests of India demand it, accordingly to the varying needs of the international situation. At present, particularly when almost the whole world is divided into two distinct Power blocs, India does not wish to compromise its position with respect to any of them. India stands for non-aggression and international peace, and concord among nations, and it can serve its ideals best by going outside the Commonwealth and becoming a completely independent republic than by remaining within it and identifying itself in howsoever slight a degree with one of the two Power 'blocs'.

PURNA SWARAJ

"The Congress, therefore, resolves that India shall have the status of a completely sovereign independent state like America or Russia and shall sever all link with the British Commonwealth of Nations in accordance with the pledge of 'Purna Swaraj' or complete independence which has been reaffirmed by the Nation year after year since 1929 when the Congress at Lahore defined Swaraj in Article 1 of the Congress Constitution to mean complete independence".

E.C.A.F.E. SESSION

Indian Delegate Urges Admission Of Indonesia

LAPSTONE New South Wales, November 30. (Reuter): The Conference of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East was deadlocked today on the admission of Indonesia and Vietnam as associate members of the Commission.

Earlier the sovereign state of Nepal was unanimously granted associate membership.

On Indonesia some delegations urged caution in order not to prejudice a satisfactory conclusion of current negotiations in Jogjakarta, between a Dutch Cabinet Mission and the Indonesian Republic.

The Australian delegate, Dr. H. C. Coombs said the Australian Government had a real interest in the aspirations of the Indonesian republic and besides had enjoyed co-operation with the Dutch Government in the recent war.

Mr C. O Desai, Indian delegate pointed out that the Indonesian Republican Government had been recognised by certain governments represented on the Commission, and had even at present a Trade Commissioner in Australia.

He maintained that if postponment was unavoidable then Indonesia's application for membership should only be postponed until later in the current session.

EXECUTION OF JAP WAR LEADERS

Will Be "Indefinitely Delayed," Says MacArthur

TOKYO, Nov. 30, (Reuter): General Hideki Tojo, war-time Japanese Premier, and six other Japanese war leaders under sentence of death for war crimes, may be hanged on December 8, seventh anniversary of the Japanese attack on pearl harbour.

Legal circles here said this date might be fixed because the United States Supreme Court which will decide on appeals by two of the condemned men would next meet on December 6.

General Douglas MacArthur, Allied Supreme Commander in Japan announced today that the executions would be "indefinitely delayed".

Legal circles here said opinion in Washington was that the Supreme Court would rule the appeal against the sentences imposed by the International Military Tribunal outside its jurisdiction.

FIRST FOOD CONVOY FOR TRAPPED EGYPTIANS

HAIFA, Nov. 30, (Reuter): The first convoy carrying food to Egyptians trapped by Jewish forces at Faluja, north of Gaza, was leaving here today, accompanied by United Nations observers, it was announced here.

CUT OUT R AND KEEP

CLOTH RATIONING FROM TODAY

RATIONING OF INDIAN MILL-MADE COTTON CLOTH COMMENCES FROM TO-DAY, DECEMBER 1, 1948. From to-day it is an offence to sell cloth for any person other than a dealer, who is specifically authorised to do so by the Government. It is also an offence to purchase rationed cloth except against valid cloth coupons, issued for the purpose. Cloth Coupon Sheets are being issued from to-day, December 1, 1948 at the Ward Rationing Offices. **THE COUPONS WILL BE DELIVERED AT THE WARD RATIONING OFFICES FROM 9 A.M. TO 3-30 P.M. ON ALL THE WORKING DAYS EXCEPT ON MONDAYS. ON SUNDAYS THE TIMING WILL BE 9 A.M. TO 12 NOON AND 2 P.M. TO 5 P.M.** Applicants for cloth coupons, whose applications have been accepted should send their counterfoils **ALONG WITH ALL THE FOODGRAINS RATION CARDS OF THE HOUSEHOLD UNDERLYING THE APPLICATION** to the particular Ward Rationing Office and on the specific date mentioned in their counterfoils. As it has been now possible to issue coupons from December 1 instead of December 12 as originally contemplated applicants whose counterfoils bear the called-on-date December 12 should send their counterfoils on December 1 and 2, and so on as indicated in the revised schedule of dates published in this paper elsewhere.

For the present, the following varieties of Indian mill-made cotton cloth are declared as rationed cloth.

1. Dhoties		6. Coating
2. Saries		7. Shirting
3. Mulls	Plain, printed or processed.	8. Longcloth
4. Voils		9. Poplin and Crepes.
5. Dorias		

Each adult will be given a sheet bearing 6 coupons, upto the value of 20 units for one year. Children's (below 6 years) sheets will bear 4 coupons of 10 units for a year.

Some coupons in a cloth coupon sheet are marked valid for particular varieties of cloth. For instance, the adult coupons for ration period are divided and marked thus.—Coupons of the value of 6 units are marked saree or dhoti, coupons of the value of 3 units and one unit are marked coating. You can not purchase saree or dhoti against any other coupons not marked for saree or dhoti. Similarly coating cannot be purchased against coupons not marked 'coating' But for purchasing a fine or superfine saree or dhoti upto 5 yards an adult will have to surrender his coupons marked coating in addition to the coupons marked 'saree or dhoti'. Coupons marked coating are not exchangeable for purchase of saree or dhoti in coarse or medium material.

You can purchase other varieties of cloth on any coupons irrespective of what they are marked for. Cloth Coupon Sheets for children below six years will be marked for 'other cloth' only. Dhoties, saries and coating will not be available on their coupons.

There will be approximately 250 Approved Cloth Shops in the whole rationed area. You need not register at any particular shop. You can purchase your cloth ration from any of the 250 Approved Cloth Shops.

STANDING CROPS DAMAGED

What Recent Cyclone Meant For Deccan

POONA, Nov. 30 (API): The cyclone which swept Bombay Province has caused considerable damage to standing crops.

Reports received by the Agricultural Department state that is a result of the unseasonal and excessive rains, the rabi crops of jowar, wheat and gram have turned pale, and in some places the stand of the crops is poor. It is stated that when fields become accessible for interculturing, a light top dressing manure mixture will greatly help in reestablishing the jowar crops. The Agricultural Department is making available manure mixture to agricultural officers in the districts for the benefit of cultivators. As regards wheat and gram, it would be necessary to resow the crops if there are wide gaps in the fields.

It is felt that on the whole that the late rains will prove beneficial to rabi crops and that there are good prospects of extending the cultivation of gram in the Deccan and 'wal' in the Konkan as there is sufficient moisture in the soil. The increase in the water supply of the wells will also benefit vegetable and potato crops in the Deccan, it is stated.

NIZAM'S STANDSTILL AGREEMENT

Military Governor Not Aware Of Any Extension

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Nov. 30 (API): Major General J. N. Chaudhury, Military Governor of Hyderabad, in an interview here today said that he was not aware of any extension of the Standstill Agreement which had expired yesterday.

"I have been asked the same question more than once today," He said. "Honestly neither the States Minister for the Government of India have told me anything about it and I am carrying on as I have been doing until now."

Asked about the visit of Mr. N. M. Buch, Joint Secretary, States Ministry, who arrived here today the Military Governor said Mr. Buch had come at the request of his government to advice him "on certain administrative matters such as the question of certain civil administrators who were now wanted back by the Provincial Governments who had lent them."

WHO WILL FOOT F.A.O. MISSION'S BILLS?

Chinese Motion To Refer Back Matter To Council Accepted

WASHINGTON, November 30. (Reuter): China succeeded today in defeating a proposal that individual member-countries should pay for missions sent there by F.A.O.

A report submitted to the final plenary session of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation's fourth annual conference, expressed alarm that several projects which deserved highest priority could not be carried out due to bugetary limitations and asked governments to assume a "substantial" portion of the costs whenever they called on F. A. O. for special assistance.

It was proposed that the interested governments should pay travel and other expenses for missions and 50 per cent. of the salary of officials invited to visit them.

The Chinese ambassador, Dr. Wellington Koo, urged that the whole question should be referred back to F. A. O. council for further study in view of the difficulties of most countries finding the necessary dollars.

Dr. Koo agreed with the principle that special privileges should be paid for but thought that the time for introduction of such a principle was inopportune.

Dr. Koo's motion to refer the matter back to the Council was carried after the Pakistan delegate, Mr. H. S. Ishaque, had pointed out that Nations needing F. A. O. assistance most were those least able to pay for it.

NO SETTLEMENT OF BERLIN CRISIS

U. N. Efforts Fail Due To Soviet Action In Berlin

PARIS, Nov. 30 (UPA): Official Soviet approval of a plan to create a rump Communist government in the Russian sector of Berlin has killed whatever faint hopes remained for an United Nations settlement of the Berlin crisis in the foreseeable future, authoritative Western officials said today.

Officials described the Soviet-sponsored plan that Berlin Communists set up their own City Government as a death blow even to Argentine Foreign Minister Bramuglia's last-minute effort to salvage something from the wreckage of two months' failure to end the Berlin crisis.

Bramuglia is expected to announce late today the creation of an informal unofficial neutral committee of experts to examine the currency problem in Berlin for a month. The committee will look for a way satisfactory to both the Soviet and the West for making the Soviet mark the sole Berlin currency.

The Western powers will give their formal approval to Bramuglia's proposal this afternoon. But they will insist the group must have no power except to study the currency problem. They also will insist it have no mediation, powers whatever.

RUMP SESSION THROWS OUT W. SECTOR MEMBERS

The Communist rump session of the Berlin Assembly today passed a resolution throwing out en masse its members from the western sectors of the city thus splitting the German capital finally into two cities.

Russian sector delegates to the Assembly, number 32 of the 130 seats in the regular Assembly.

The resolution presented by the Communists to discharge the entire western element of the Berlin Assembly was unanimously adopted.

The Assembly has been boycotted by representatives from the American, British and French sectors.

BERLIN CRISIS TO BE SETTLED SOON

W. Powers Will Accept Soviet Currency, Says Connelly

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (UPI): The Berlin crisis would be settled soon, Senator Connelly who succeeds Vandeburg as Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee in January, stated here last night.

Senator Connelly declared that the U. S. opposition to the acceptance of Soviet marks as sole currency in Berlin did not justify the cost of the airlift nor the threat of war. He predicted a settlement along the lines of western powers' acceptance of Soviet currency in Berlin and Russian removal of blockade.

Government House News

BOMBAY, Tuesday,

Rani Maharaj Singh visited the following Hospitals of the J. J. Group, The Byramjee Jijeebhoy Hospital for Children, the Sir D. M. Peit Hospital for Women, the Bai Motlibai Obstetric Hospital and the Nurses Quarters.

The Governor of Bombay received H. E. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa and the Consul for Venezuela.

The Governor and Rani Maharaj Singa received Revd. F. A. Krishnaswamy.

Rani Maharaj Singh received Khan Bahadur Captain N. J. Vazifdar and Mr. S. A. Ayer.

The Governor attended a Reception given by the Bombay City Adult Education Committee at the Pransukhlal Mafatlal Swimming Baths, Chowpatty to meet H.E. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, H.E. Mr. A. Th. Lamping, Madame Lamping, Commodore H.R. Inigo-Jones, Miss D.W. Inigo-Jones Sir Gurunath Bewoor. Sir Eric and Lady Conrad Smith, Sir Thomas and Lady Borwick, Sir Robert and Lady Bignold, Lady Saklatvala, Mr. and Mrs. Akhtar Hasan Mirza, Mr L.E. Bagshaws, Mrs, A M. Bagshaws, Mrs. Rowland-Jones and Mr. and Mrs. D R D Tata came to dinner.

INDIA'S PLEA FOR PEACE AMONG BIG FIVE

"We Must Remove Basic Misunderstandings," Urges Shiva Rao: Address To Political Committee

PARIS, Nov. 30 (Reuter): India today interrupted the "battle of the veto" with a plea for peace among the Big Powers.

Britain, the United States, France and China were trying to restrict the Soviet Union's use of the veto in the Security Council.

Six countries had spoken against the way Russia had been using the veto when Mr. Shiva Rao (India) said the real way to solve the problem was to make the Security Council, the organ on which rested primarily the responsibility for the maintenance of peace and Security, discharge its functions in a healthy and normal manner.

NEED FOR UNANIMITY

Mr. Shiva Rao, speaking in the Minor Political Committee on the resolution of the Western "Big Three" and China which urged "forbearance" in the use of the veto, said the normal functioning of the Security Council depended, under the provisions of the Charter, on the unanimity of the five Great Powers. That unanimity was unattainable today because of the differences and divisions between them. The only way to remove these difficulties was to heal them.

"Until these basic misunderstandings have been removed, short of an amendment of the Charter, we can only move forward through the establishment of conventions" Mr Rao added.

Mr. Rao said "such conventions can only be established through goodwill and in a spirit of give and take. Towards the building up of these conventions, all of us, Big Powers and non-Big Powers, but particularly the Big Powers, have a contribution to make.

"We may regret the fact, but we cannot overlook it, that such conventions cannot be established if even one of the Big Powers should decide to adhere to a legalistic interpretation of its priviliges under the Charter.

REVISION OF CHARTER

"We are not prepared, if I have judged the trend of the debate so far alright, for a general revision of the Charter at the present. We are not prepared for the abolition of the veto.

"The problem we are faced with is both real and urgent. The Security Council cannot afford to allow its prestige and authority and its capacity for effective functioning steadily to diminish and be undermined by a frequent reliance on the privileged position of a permanent membership of the Council.

"More than the prestige of the Security Council is involved in this problem.

The foundations of peace and security are weakened by a denial to the Security Council of the authority which should belong to it.

"In other Committees the Indian Delegation has been compelled to take none of the determined refusal on the part of certain powers to accept any interpretation of the charter other than a narrow legalistic one.

FOOD DEFICIT IN HYDERABAD

15,000 Tons Of Grains Allotted By Government Of India

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Nov. 30. (API): Fifteen thousand tons of food grains have been allotted by the Government of India to Hyderabad State for the next two months as a result of the deliberations of the All-India Food Conference held in Calcutta last week, official spokesman said here today.

Hyderabad's representative at the Food Conference is understood to have estimated the States present food deficit at 174,000 tons.

The Government of India in making this initial allocation of 5,000 tons of rice and 10,000 tons of wheat, is reported to have agreed to reconsider the position towards the middle of January.

A supply official said that the wheat allocation would make possible an immediate increase of one chhatak in the wheat ration in the State.

HYDERABAD COLLECTIONS FOR GANDHI MEMORIAL FUND

Another half a lakh of rupees have been contributed here to the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund bringing the total collection in Hyderabad State to over two lakhs of rupees, the Secretary of the Mund Mr. Ramakishen Dhoot announced today.

Latest contributions included a sum of Rs. 25,000 from Nawab Zahir Yar Jung, a noble of Paigah, Rs. 15,000 from Seth Sriram Bhagwandas and Rs. 10,000 from the Hyderabad Co-operative Central Trading Society.

The Hyderabad Fund Committee is scheduled to meet here in December to launch a final Statewide drive from contributions before the fund officially closes on January 30.

BUCH ARRIVES IN HYDERABAD

HYDERABAD (DN.), Nov. 30. (API): Mr. N. M. Buch, Joint Secretary, States Ministry, arrived in Hyderabad last night and is at present the guest of the Military Governor. His visit is believed to be connected with the reported extension of the Standstill Agreement which officially came to an end last night.

MAHE ADMINISTRATION CRITICISED

A. I. C. C. Secretary's Plea To Allow People To Go Back

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30, (API): Acharya Jugal Kishore, General-Secretary of the AICC in a statement here today urged the French administration in Mahe to allow those outside Mahe to return to their homes and avocations and permit them to participate in the ensuing elections "which, in their absence, will be a mere farce"

To the people of Mahe, he said, the Congress could give no noblar message than what the Prime Minister had recently said: "Tell the bold people of Mahe that they should act with honour and dignity".

He added: "We are one with them in their desire to reunite with India and we hope the question of French settlements will be solved soon in a peaceful and amicable manner".

"After the reassertion of French authority in Mahe", he said, "the administration seems to be bent upon taking punitive action against those who are involved in the recent incidents there. Some of them have been arrested and extradition warrant, has been issued against the rest. Inside Mahe itself, reports go to show that French troops landed there are terrorising the population. After all this is not the way to threat a proud people fighting for their liberty.

"I would remind the French authorities of Jawaharlal Nehru's honest advice to them not to take any action against these people whose only crime is that they showed their impatience to throw off the foreign yoke".

KERALA PROVINCIAL CONGRESS COMMITTEE'S PROTEST

CALICUT, Nov. 30. (API): The Kerala Provincial Congress Committee which held its meeting recently at Alwaye, passed a resolution protesting against "the repressive measures let loose by the French Government on the people of Mahe".

The Committee reiterated its earlier resolution that no foreign power had any right to stay on the soil of India.

EAST PUNJAB FACES FOOD DEFICIT

AMBALA, Nov. 30, (A.P.I.): Discussing the food problem facing East Punjab, Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, Premier, at a press conference here today said that East Punjab was at present a deficit province to the extent of 224,000 tons.

Referring to the rice position in the province, the Premier said Government had only 17,000 bags of which some had been given to Simla and Kangra.

NO AGGRESSIVE DESIGNS, REITERATES LIAQUAT

DACCA, Nov. 29, (A.P.I.): "The fact that Pakistan is devoting its attention to strengthening its defences should not be construed to mean that we have aggressive designs upon any power, nor that we intend to deprive anyone of his rights and interests", said Mr Liaqat Ali Khan, Prime Minister of Pakistan, in a broadcast from Radio Pakistan, Dacca, tonight.

LARGE-SCALE RECRUITMENT IN PAKISTAN

KARACHI, Nov. 30. (U. P. I.): Large-scale recruitment to the Pakistan Army will be started in Sind from December 1. It is officially announced that the recruiting party will tour the whole province during the month of December recruiting all Sindhi and Baluch Muslims between the ages of 17 and 25. Refugees who are settled down in Sind will also be recruited.

It is further stated that all ex-soldiers whose age is not more than 35 and who have served atleast for one year and no more than 12 years are also eligible for recruitment.

FATE OF ZAMINDARI ABOLITION

Pandit Pant To Move Amendment On Compensation Issue

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Nov. 29.

Fight between haves and have not to likely to begin in the Constituent Assembly when discussion begins on Fundamental Rights relating to right to property. Draft Constitution in this connection lays down as follows "no person shall be deprived of his property save by authority of law. No property movable or immovable including any interest in any commercial or industrial undertaking or in any company owning such undertaking shall be taken possession of or acquired for public purposes under any law authorising taking of such possession or such acquisition unless law provides for the payment of compensation for property taken possession of or acquired and either fixes amount of compensation or specifies principles and the manner in which compensation is to be determined".

This article has to be read in context of the recently considered legal view that compensation means payment in money and not in bonds, much less in non-negotiable bonds. The United Provinces Premier has therefore tabled an amendment making it clear that non-negotiable bonds would be deemed to be the fit and proper form of compensation.

On the other hand Sir Homi Mody has tabled another amendment making it clear that compensation means payment in money.

The Congress High Command itself appears to be divided on this issue, one party holding that Pt. Pant's amendment, if carried, would retard industrial and economic progress of this country. No one would like to invest his money in an undertaking if he were to be paid in non-negotiable bonds at any time in return.

The haves not being in majority in the Consituent Assembly, there is every chance of Pt. Pant's amendment being carried.

On that Amendment largely hangs the fate of Zamindari Abolition legislation in the Provinces and indirectly the future of Congress Party in the next general elections. The amendment, if carried, would have far reaching effects on industrial development of this country, it is asserted here

CUT OUT R AND KEEP

AT THE COMMENCEMENT of acceptance of C(1) application forms called-on-dates on counterfoils were given as from December 12, 1948 onwards.

It has been, however, possible now, to issue cloth coupons sheets as from December 1, 1948. Accordingly the called-on-dates on counterfoils have been revised. According to these revised dates, persons holding counterfoils bearing called-on-date as December 12 should present the counterfoils on December 1 and 2, 1948; and counterfoils bearing called-on-date December 14 should be presented on December 3 and 4, 1948 and so on, as indicated below:—

Called-on-date on Counterfoil	Revised dates when the counterfoils should be presented.
12th December 1948	1st and 2nd December 1948
14th " "	3rd and 4th " "
15th " "	5th and 7th " "
16th " "	8th and 9th " "
17th " "	10th and 11th " "
18th " "	12th and 14th " "
19th " "	15th and 16th " "
21st " "	17th and 18th " "
22nd " "	19th and 21st " "
23rd " "	22nd and 23rd " "
24th " "	24th onwards " "

Note:— Those called-on on or after December 24, 1948 are not affected by the change in called-on-dates given above.

CUT OUT R AND KEEP

APPROVED CLOTH RATION SHOPS IN 'A' AND 'B' WARDS

A LIST OF APPROVED RATION CLOTH DEALERS in 'A' and 'B' Wards with address is given below for the information of public. Similar lists will be published everyday. Public are requested to preserve these for ready reference.

'A' WARD

FEDERATION SHOPS

S. No.	Name of the Shop	Address.
R.C.D. 1	M/s. Thakkar Cloth Stores	120, Bora Bazar, Fort, Bombay.
R.C.D. 2	M/s. Ahire Cloth Stores,	204-24, Mangrol Mansion, Bora Bazar.
R.C.D. 3	M/s. M. Natwarlal & Co.,	219, Bora Bazar.
R.C.D. 4	M/s. K. Hitaishi & Co.	Windsor Chamber, Cowasji Patel Street.
R.C.D. 5	M/s. General Stores.	68, Bazargate, Fort, Bombay.
R.C.D. 6	M/s. Kanojia Stores,	Dena Bank Bldg., Colaba,
R.C.D. 27	M/s. Punjab House	Colaba Causeway.

CONSUMERS' CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY'S SHOPS

C.C.D. 1	Tata Employee's Co-operative Consumers' Society Ltd.	Fort Chamber, 1st Floor, Fort, Bombay.
C.C.D. 2	The Maratha Aikya Vardhak Co-operative Consumer's Society Ltd.	Dena Bank Bldg., 3rd Pasta Lane, Colaba Rd., Bombay.
C.C.D. 3	Tarun Co-operative Consumers' Society Ltd.	Mangrol Mansion, 206-208, Bora Bazar Street.

GENERAL STORES

G.C.D. 1.	M/s. Army & Navy Stores, Ltd.	Fort, Bombay.
G.C.D. 2	M/s. Whiteaway Laidlaw & Co. Ltd.	Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.
G.C.D. 3	M/s. Bombay Swadeshi Co-operative Stores Co. Ltd.	Sir Phirozeshah Mehta Road Fort, Bombay.
G.C.D. 4	M/s. Evans Fraser & Co. (India) Ltd.	Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

'B' WARD

FEDERATION SHOPS

S. No.	Name of the Shop.	Address
R.C.D. 8	M/s. Sant Tukaram Cloth Stores	Jambli Street, Koliwada.
R.C.D. 9	M/s. Keshavji Kanji	Hira Chawl, Musjid Bunder Road, Mandvi.
R.C.D. 7	M/s. Amrit Cloth Stores	Noorbaug Chawl Jail Rd., East Dongri.
R.C.D. 10	M/s. Shakuntala Cloth Stores	Sandhurst Road, Dongri.
R.C.D. 11	M/s. Jawahar Cloth Stores	Chinwala Bldg., Dongri.
R.C.D. 12	M/s. Fancy Stores	Nakhoda Mohalla, 20-22, Nagdevi Street.
R.C.D. 13	M/s. Haji Mohamed Abdul Karim	6, Fatma Bldg., Nakhoda Mohalla, Nagdevi Street.
R.C.D. 14	M/s. Saleman Abdul Karim & Co.	Nakhoda Mohalla, 9, Nagdevi Street.

CONSUMERS' CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY'S SHOPS

C.C.D. 4	Ismalia Co-operative General Stores Ltd.	74, Tandel Street, Bombay.
C.C.D. 5	Ismalia Co-operative Stores Ltd.	Dongri, Bombay.
C.C.D. 6	Mandvi Consumers' Co-operative General Stores Ltd.	Prince Alikhan Bldg., 138/132, Imam Wada Road, Bhendi Bazar.
C.C.D. 7	Cutchi Memon Co-operative General Stores Ltd.	101, Jakaria Masjid.
C.C.D. 8	Mohamedali Road Consumers' Co-operative Society Ltd.	Mohamedalli Road.

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—ADDISON.

DECLINE OF OUR EXPORTS

Our consumption, our security and our industrial progress have come to depend so vitally on our links with foreign sources of supply that the means to obtain these are veritably the life line of our existence as an independent power. As Mr. K. C. Neogy, the Minister for Commerce, recently explained in a statement to pressmen the only means by which we can continue to obtain our much—needed foreign supplies is the balance of trade, the excess of our exports over imports. Mr. Neogy pointed out that latterly this balance, and especially our surplus exports to hard currency countries, mainly to U.S.A., are causing anxiety on account of their diminution. Even in respect of the soft currency or sterling area countries it has become necessary to ensure that we send out the right goods to right destinations and secure the right imports. For this latter purpose bi-lateral trade agreements, such as those already existing with the Anglo-American Sector in Germany and Japan, are being negotiated with Australia, Belgium, Yugoslavia, Hungary and Czechoslovakia. Most of these are in a position to supply the many producers' and consumers' goods which the country badly needs at the present moment. Besides these countries Pakistan and certain other Asiatic and East African countries have so long been connected with us as buyers of our goods that it would be undesirable to deny all exports to them. With a view, therefore, to maintaining trade contacts, ensuring proper reciprocity and earning as much dollar exchange as possible it has been decided both to liberalize and regulate the volume, composition and direction of our foreign trade. While licenses will, as a rule, be issued to those already established in the trade, newcomers, who would normally have entered the trade, will not altogether be kept out. Presumably the Commerce Minister expects that this policy will increase our dollar resources, will help our export trade to retain control of its familiar markets and will ensure an adequate supply of the imports we need.

We entirely agree that our foreign trade situation, far from inducing a feeling of complacency, is such as to lead us to serious thought. We further agree that a regulation of the direction, composition and volume of our foreign trade is necessary, and we wish the new policy such success as it deserves. We are, however, convinced that unless the foreign trade of the country is treated as an integral part of general economic policy there is little prospect of the hopes of the Commerce Minister being realized. Leaving out of account, for the present, such relatively unimportant matters as the discriminating and exploitational effect of an unsystematic and arbitrary policy for the issue of licenses, two broad facts must be stressed. The first is the obvious conclusion that our current difficulties have arisen out of an unsatisfactory settlement of our sterling balances. The argument of the Commerce Minister is that whereas our trade balance with sterling area countries is, on the whole, satisfactory, our hard currency earnings are going down. This situation, however, has all along been foreseen, especially after the passing of the jute area to Pakistan. It was exactly this situation that we desired to meet by the multi-laterally available portion of the sterling balances. When the then Finance Member announced his satisfaction with the sterling agreement we, in common with other realistic observers, had stated that both the volume of total sterling release and its multi-laterally available part were extremely inadequate for our needs. How true it was to emphasize these defects is made clear by the exhortation of the Commerce Minister which really means that unless we part with steel, coal and cotton piece-goods, things which we ourselves need desperately, we shall not earn enough to pay for our imports, and unless we divert our other exports such as jute, tea, oil-seeds and hides and skins to U.S.A., we shall not have the means to pay for our American purchases. The simple fact that we have not enough to export simultaneously for the purpose of meeting our current needs and making up for wartime ravages seems to be completely ignored. We feel that unless the sterling agreement is radically revised an American loan will be the only way left to us. Already many people with influence and authority are hinting at such a prospect, which for our part we cannot treat as an unmixed good in the present context.

Another very important factor that seems to have been thoroughly ignored in an analysis and treatment of the problem of our balance of trade is our price level. Prices in our country are steadily soaring and the rate of exchange remains steady at what it has been for over twenty years. Every rise in Indian prices in this situation is putting a premium on our imports from countries having a more controlled price system, and our exports are handicapped. No amount of control and regulation is going to remedy a situation in which the terms of trade are steadily moving against us. Looked at from every legitimate standpoint of a stable and healthy economy this is our major ailment, or rather the principal symptom of our major ailment, which is a complete lack of co-ordinated and vigorous economic policy. The Commerce Minister with the best of intentions in the world will only succeed in lulling the public into a temporary sense of security by keeping these major issues out of sight. But we hope that the public has by now been sufficiently awakened to the realities of the situation. We have a current, short-term problem of economic balance, and a major long term problem of economic reconstruction. The former can only be met by urgently and simultaneously adopting all the recommendations of its several advisers that the Government of India announced as being acceptable to it. The long-terms and major problem will simply not be solved except by England releasing a larger supply of goods and enabling us to purchase our needs in the hard currency countries against the accummulated sterling credits. For us now to be asked by our own Government to part with scarce goods to maintain trade connections and to purchase from hard currency countries is to admit the complete failure of its external economic policy. For it to hope for success of its export policy while prices are soaring and the rate of exchange is steady is to ignore the working of natural laws. We are sure that if only our top-ranking leaders were to sit down and take stock of the economic situation as well as they seem to be doing with the political situation they will see that the problem of balance of trade cannot be tackled apart from the problem of the over all balancing of the economy.

Cloth Rationing

Cloth rationing in Bombay Province begins from to-day and each holder of food grain ration card will get 20 yards of cloth in two six monthly instalments. The purchasers will be 50 per cent fine and 50 per cent coarse cloth with an option of half the quantity of fine cloth against coarse. To make the new system proof against abuses and malpractices, one firm, the Poddar Trading Company has been appointed as wholesale purchaser from mills on a remuneration of 1 1/2 per cent. The Government is taking 3 1/2 per cent on coarse cloth and 11 per cent on fine cloth. The retail shops are to get 7 1/2 per cent. Thus the Government allows retail price to be 20 per cent over mill price. This is the total cost for distribution of cloth which the consumer has to pay. Retail merchants, who are members of the Federation of Retail Cloth Dealers' Association, have to pay 2 1/2 per cent out of their 7 1/2 per cent allowed by the Government to the Federation which is to be distributed among those members who are not authorised shopkeepers. Each retail dealer will get about 40 bales each month and, if he sells the entire stock during the month, it will yield a net profit of about Rs. 1,000 after meeting routine expenses. It will be seen that while control is inescapable the entire system is costly and will not help the Government in its objective of fighting inflation and lowering the cost of living and prices. Large quantities of foreign cloth are coming into this country and, as a matter of fact, many people are not troubled about securing their requirements but the main grievance is the unduly high level of prices. The new system is one more experiment, which may not fulfil the high objectives of our overstrained economy. It is too early to say if the system will succeed, but it would have been better if the Government had allowed the mills to sell cloth against new coupons at mill shops where Government supervision could be more effective and consumers would be able to save 9 to 11 per cent. The real place to check is the production centre—that is, the mills—and if this check is carried out honestly and effectively, no yard of cloth, described as ration cloth, will find its way into black market.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Reason dictates that English, as it is written and spoken, should be naturalised and adapted, and made in its Indian garb, an altogether different vehicle of thought, quite distinct from American and Englishmen's English.

It could very well have its own grammar and its own dictionary.

—Letter in the "Chronicle".

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The U.N. Kashmir Commission has been meeting Indian and Pakistani representatives in Paris, but, it is understood that the views of the two Governments on certain basic issues have not materially altered.

Therefore, naturally the helpless Kashmir Committee can say nothing and make no recommendations.

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The Government of India has denied reports appearing "via" Karachi in the London "News Chronicle" and the Calcutta-Delhi "Statesman" that India had recently suggested partition of Kashmir as a solution.

The reports are, of course, all wrong. But the—er—reporters have done their duty.

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The Pakistan Constituent Assembly, it is announced, will meet on December 14 and begin legislative business from December 15.

It will, of course, start functioning as the constitution-making body about January 26 or later.

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There does not, says our Dacca correspondent, seem to be any misunderstanding between Bengali Hindus and Bengali Muslims "but it is the alien elements, which are making all the difference".

Quite right. They have got to, haven't they? We mean to say, what are they in East Bengal for and what is East Bengal for?

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Forecasting a vigorous battle in the U.N. over the Veto, the U.P.A. reports from Paris: The small nations have lately shown increasing impatience over the use of the veto as a political weapon and have intimated their strong desire for safeguards against its abuse.

It was, of course, not necessary to refer also to the strong desire for safeguards against the abuse of whipped up majorities?

BOMBAY LAUGHED THROUGH RAGING STORM

A Reporter's Impressions Of City's Myriad Moods—Sullen, Defiant, Gay

BY G. N. ACHARYA

NOVEMBER 22, 1948 is one of those days—like August 9, 1942 for instance—which are pin pointed in the memory of a News reporter. Now that the anxiety and breathless hurry of covering the fury of the elements and the destructive aftermath are over, one could sit back and muse over it as and exciting aspects of experience and see it in the perspective of other events standing out in ones memory.

The fateful Ninth of August was a day so different! There we saw the spectacle of man goaded to a mood of defiant revolt, hitting out in destructive fury. There was something elemental in that spectacle of dazed and maddened humanity run wild. But it could not match the sweep or the blind impartiality of Nature run wild.

BOMBAY'S MYRIAD MOODS

And above all, the mood of the day was different. I have watched the people of this teeming city. I have watched them in so many moods—happy and exalted; panicky to the point of sheepishness; sullen, rebellious, destructive; steeped in black sorrow. I have watched the behaviour of the people, for instance, on August 15, 1947. They were jubilant.

I watched them again on that terrible evening of January 30, 1948 and on the next day. Such mass lamentation, such weeping and wailing—as if an immediate, personal bereavement had befallen millions of people at the same time—has perhaps never occurred in the world. I have seen the behavour of the people—bewildered, frightened, craven—on that April 14, 1944, when the 5,000-ton munition-laden Liberty ship S.S. Fort Stikine, blew up in Number One, Victoria Dock and set the city ablaze. I have seen them in a mood of reckless courage—a mixture of foolhardiness and heroism—when on February 23, 1946, Bombay went all in support of a group of naval ratings on mutiny. It was a delayed action time bomb let off by politicians and political parties without an adequate sense of perspective or proportion.

November 22 also, spelt calamity to the city; but the mood of the people was strangely different. They were on a holiday!

PERILOUS JOURNEY

Howling winds, creaking doors and windows, and the clatter of all manner of things falling off their moorings, had kept me awake, the night before. Still, on Monday morning, I was out on the streets trying to find a motorist who would risk the roads. Two refused. A third, an adventure-loving gentleman, took me in his small car.

From Gokhale Road we went Eastwards till the Dadar tram terminus. Khodadad Circle was a vast pool of water and a number of stranded cars were warning enough. We turned back and negotiated our way via Prabhadevi. Half way down, the road was fully blocked by fallen trees. We turned East again, wound in and out of narrow lanes, backed from several blind alleys and came over on Delisle Road. Southward along this road, often crossing puddles and climbing footpaths, we reached up the junction of Arthur Road. There we were forced to turn down along Arthur Road and again turned and twisted along to Jacob Circle and on along Lamington Road till the Bombay Central. Here again we had to turn to West to Tardeo and along the route the "C" bus takes. An obliging crowd of people raced after us and asked us to take another route. We fled Eastward again, threadneedling along many narrow roads till we reached Charni Road. From there to

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

Urgent Problem

The problems that face the Governments, Central and Provincial, and people of India are as urgent as they are numerous. Of these, next only to inflation and provision of food and cloth, none is so urgent as that of removing illiteracy. The magnitude of the task is hardly realized by many of us. Yet it is a task that must be accomplished as soon as possible if genuine political and economic democracy it to be established in our country. "It is a shame", said Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, Governor of the Central Provinces and Berar, inaugurating the eighth literacy week of the City Adult Education Committee on Monday, "that in a country like India in the year 1948 the percentage of literacy is put down either at 14.2 or 15.4 and it is still greater shame that the percentage of literacy among our sisters is lower", that is, only 3. As the elections under the new Constitution will be held on the basis of adult franchise the need for making our masters literate cannot be overemphasized. The Bombay City Adult Education Committee has been carrying on its activities for the last ten years, but the progress made so far even in a wideawake city like Bombay cannot be said to be satisfactory. It is not surprising that Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, President of the Committee, said he was full of regret and impatient at the slowness of the movement considering the magnitude of the work still remaining to be done. Since 1939, the Committee had made nearly 1,50,000 persons literate in the city, while still about one million adults remain illiterate. Besides unless the literates are induced to attend post-literacy classes or to continue their studies at home, there is every danger of their lapsing into illiteracy again. So the problem is a two-fold one, preventing literates from lapsing into illiterates as well as promoting literacy. The Committee cannot expect to tackle this tremendous problem without adequate financial support from the public and the Government.

Wastage Of National Wealth

Among the beneficent and constructive activities of the United Nations Organisation is a scheme for the benefit of children, adolescents and expectant mothers, without distinction of race, creed, nationality or political belief. The scheme is called the "United Nations Appeal for Children" for collecting voluntary contributions from peoples of all countries. The Government of India has associated itself with this appeal and has formed a representative Committee under the chairmanship of Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Health Minister. The money collected by this Committee in India will be utilized in the country itself for the relief of suffering children, adolescents and expectant and nursing mothers. India's maternal mortality is 20 per 1,000 live births and infant mortality is 160 per 1,000 live births as against only 30 in Australia and New Zealand. Half the number of children born die before they reach the age of 10. These figures are enough to show how much India suffers by the wastage of her national wealth in the shape children because she is so sadly backward in providing for the care and protection of children and her pregnant and nursing mothers. The Children Fund for which Rani Maharaj Singh has appealed, so far as the public in this province are concerned, provides an opportunity for making up for past neglect in securing the health and well-being of future generations of India's citizens. We trust there will be a generous response to this appeal.

Kashmir Canard

The Government of India has done well in promptly denying the canard emanating from Karachi and from London — from "authoritative Indian quarters"— that the Government had initiated talks for the partition of Kashmir; and the denial is supported by Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Pakistan's Prime Minister, who contradicted the report at Dacca. But it is difficult for any Government to cope with the number of fabrications put out by people who are obviously anxious to see Kashmir settled and out of the way without regard to the rights and wrongs of the dispute. Another report now declares that the Kashmir (U.N.) Commission has been encouraged by the Security Council to continue its negotiations with the two Governments "with a view to finding a compromise solution of the present deadlock." So long as the Security Council fails to take effective notice of the basic reality of the Kashmir controversy — that India is there at the invitation, and for the assistance, of the established Government and that Pakistan is an uninvited, unwelcome and completely unacceptable intruder — there is no point in the U. N. Commission pursuing its search for a compromise. The Indian Government have a job to do, and nothing will deflect them from the performance of it.

Interim Arrangements

The reported extension of the Standstill Agreement with Hyderabad, subject to modifications made necessary by the new situation, is nothing more than the effecting of interim arrangements pending the formation of a new constitutional basis for the State. The collapse of the Hyderabad Administration consequent on the police action undertaken by the Government of India was naturally tided over by the Military Administration. The plan proposed by the Nizam on the eve of the extinction of the Laik Ali Ministry had to be left virtually abandoned as it was inadequate to the needs of Hyderabad. There has been a thorough overhaul of the system and civil servants from India have taken over the State and made a going concern out of a collapsed structure. Continuity has, of course, to be maintained; and the internal differences in the leading political party in the State, added to the difficulties of the responsible authorities. The party was strong enough to oppose any outside element —the Union Government being unwilling to go against representative opinion — but it was not capable of taking over the administration. In the circumstances, the Union Government had no option but to assume responsibility and it has gone as far as possible in maintaining not only existing institutions but even existing procedures. It is this which has led to the extension of the arrangement by which the Centre takes charge of External Affairs, Defence and Communications.

China's Ordeal

Following close on her broadcast appeal for "immediate and definite aid" to China, Madame Chiang Kai-Shek has reached the U.S.A. to move the American Government personally. There is no comfort in the news to lovers of China and we would rather have been saved this final humiliation. In a recent statement, the Chinese Communist Executive Committee denounced American despatch of troops as an act of "armed aggression", against the sacred territory and sovereignty of China. It is gratifying to note that patriotism is a strong character in the Chinese Communists but they can better demonstrate this quality by initiating negotiations with the Generalissimo which will ward off foreign intervention. It would be preferable for Chinese political parties to come to terms and end this fratricidal warfare rather than that American or Russian arms should decide the conflict. The "sacred territory and sovereignty of China" can only be saved by the leading personalities coming to an understanding. Any other process is bound to divide the country. Even if the Generalissimo is averse to peace negotiations, he will find it difficult to keep his party together on a policy of no compromise. It has often been contended that Chinese Communists are more Chinese than Communist and that they have been driven to hostility by the many defects of the Generalissimo's regime. This is the opportunity for the Communists to prove this by deeds. China, more than any other country, needs a long period of peace to reconstruct national life. A United China can, along with the New India, contribute greatly to the cause of Asian progress. Dr. Sun Fo, the new Prime Minister of China, has declared that he is forming a cabinet which for all practical purposes will function independently of the Generalissimo. Here is an opportunity which should not be allowed to pass by.

The Veto Controversy

The Big Power "Veto" in the Security Council is admittedly undemocratic and often enough it has been quite unjustifiably and irrelevantly used without regard to, indeed, in defiance of the merits of the particular question. But the Russians, too, have a case in support of their insistence to stick to the right of veto and to exercise it quite frequently. The Western Powers have an overwhelming majority both in the Security Council and the General Assembly. They can carry or block any proposition with the votes of the States under their influence. And they, too, have used this advantage of theirs sometimes quite unjustly and in defiance of the merits of the question. As the Western Powers denounce the Russian 'veto', the Soviet Union denounces this kind of majority as a potential danger to its interests. A compromise has to be found. And the present effort of the Big Four, if genuine and sincere, is a step in the right direction. But, by itself, it cannot achieve success. For one thing, suspicion, distrust and hostility have become so acute that no move by any party is regarded by the other as "bona fide". The fundamental malaise has to be removed. Here, again, the thing that emerges is that there is only one possible solution of all the inter-Allied troubles and it has become an urgent necessity, too. That possible solution is a conference of the Big Four leaders.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Dr. Pattabhi And Linguistic Provinces

Sir,—Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, President-elect of the coming Jaipur session of the Indian National Congress, is reported to have said at a reception accorded to him by the Andhras in Delhi that "the redistribution of Provinces on a rational basis should not be needlessly delayed any further". And the veteran Prof. Ranga rushed to compliment Dr. Pattabhi by saying that "it was he who espoused the cause of linguistic Provinces and worked for it".

We are just now passing through a very critical period in the history of our nation and it will be suicidal to think of the country being divided on linguistic basis and thereby creating unnecessary controversies, dissensions and troubles amongst the different sections of people of this vast subcontinent. Our most beloved and farsighted leader, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, has rightly said that this is not the time to think of this fantastic idea of linguistic division. And, instead of giving all-out support to our Prime Minister to tide over the present crisis, Dr. Pattabhi should not make use of his present success to create more problems as President of the premier organisation of the country.

My request to Dr. Pattabhi is to lead the Nation in the right path. Let him overhaul the rank and file of the Congress and make it a really representative one, which alone will bring happiness to the future generation of this Country. We do not want opportunists, job-hunters, and those who call themselves as Congressmen and lead us astray.—Yours, etc.

K. V. V. NATHAN.

Bombay.

United India

Sir,—The changing of the name "India" to Bharatavarsha, Hindustan etc., having been lately brought out so prominently in the newspapers, I, as an Indian, consider that the new name, if anything, should be 'The United India'. Every leader of the nation worthy of the name has first and foremost stressed the need for unity among the various castes, classes and the masses. As the above appellation, by its very nature, gives an inspiring tone to the people as a whole, it should, I believe, spontaneously bring about a unity of which every Indian could be justly proud. Any self-seeking individual or individuals for that matter will naturally find such a name incapable of exploitation and the new title, therefore, is what it should be. Will the intelligentsia of our country assume full responsibility and see to it that "The United India" is created as a first step towards the realisation of further and higher ideals set before humanity by the possessors of wisdom? 'The United India' a world of thought in one translucent phrase. Yours etc.

C. V. MENON.

Rural Welfare And Refugees

Sir,—So far all the Indian leaders have been insisting on the revival of Panchayats in villages but it is strange to hear Doctor Ambedkar speaking ill of the Panchayats without any notable protest from Government benches. I feel that the Panchayats should be reformed and re-set up and in order to do this and also to provide capable refugees with jobs, Government should train rural workers at Government's cost preferably at refugee camps where free rations are given and apprise the trainees of Panchayat rules along with elementary knowledge of rural sanitation, demonstration farms, home treatment of diseases, etc., and finally employ them as teacher-cum-social workers in villages.—Yours, etc.,

D. N. CAPOOR.

Bikaner.

Indian Team For Second Test

Sir,—The first Test match between West Indies and India has resulted in a moral victory for the West Indies team. But there is no reason for disappointment and I feel that it is not necessary to make many changes in the India Eleven for the second Test match at Bombay. India can creditably draw with the West Indies if our players try to play with greater responsibility. (Throwing of wickets was the main feature of both the Indian innings at Delhi) I would suggest the following team for the second Test Match at Bombay.

M. K. Mantri, K. C. Ibrahim, R. S. Modi, L. Amarnath, V. S. Hazare, D. G. Phadkar, H. R. Adhikari, Vinoo Mankad, C. T. Sarwate, S. G. Shinde, C. R. Rangachari, S. W. Sohoni.

Reserves: P. R. Umrigar, R. B. Nimbalkar.—Yours, etc.,

D. D. MALSE.

November 25.

V. D. J. Hindu Technical Institute

Sir,—I am very much grieved to learn that the East Punjab Government has unnecessarily interfered in the matter by showing favouritism towards the occupants of the buildings alloted for restarting of V. D. J. Hindu Technical Institute of Lahore at Jullundur. A notice to vacate the alloted buildings within four days was served to the occupants and in case the occupants did not comply with the orders police force was to be used to get the buildings vacated. The day the police force went to get the justice done some forces came in way and the police was ordered to return without performing its duty.

I, in the interest of the three hundred young engineers, request the Minister of Rehabilitation and Resettlement, East Punjab Government, to prove to be a helping force for restraing the mother institute of the Punjab for imparting engineering education.

At the same time I appeal to the Prime Minister to look into the matter and save the career of the students of the Institute.

I also appeal to the Managing Body of the said institute to take speedy and effective steps to get the alloted buildings vacated without any further loss of the precious time of the students of the institute.

In order to strengthen their voice in restarting in East Punjab their uprooted engineering mother institute I appeal to all the old students of the institute residing in various part of India to send their suggestions for the steps to be taken by the students to the General Secretary of the Union at C-3/430 Lodhi Colony New Delhi. Yours etc.

New Delhi.

SATYA PANT.

President Old Students' Union V. D. J. H. Technical Institute (Punjab).

Combat Inflation

Sir,—Various ways and means are being suggested to combat inflation. The Prices have soard and are still soaring high for the bare necessities of life, namely, food, clothing and shelter. Many anti-social elements have sprung up these days. To curb these anti-social elements and to combat inflation as far as shelter is concerned it is suggested to the Government that it should set up special machinery or utilise the existing one to bring down the 1943 or prewar level of house rents especially in cities and towns by instituting special inquiries from house to house or tenement to tenement in as short a time as possible and the burden should be thrown on the landlords to produce satisfactory and convincing evidence to show the rent that was being collected during the year 1943 or prewar year. In the absence of such evidence or when it is not forthcoming or supressed the authorities should determine the reasonable rent taking into consideration the condition existing in the year 1943 or prewar year. Henceforth all the tenants should be asked to pay the rents immediately to the Government Authorities who should arrange to pay the landlords after deducting some collection charges. This is one positive remedy which will go a great way in securing the desired result.—Yours etc.,

D. P. DESAI.

Baroda.

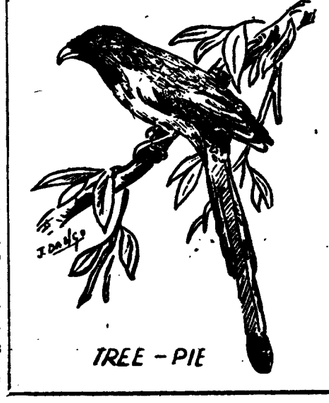
Liaquat Ali Khan Back In Karachi

KARACHI, Nov. 30, (API): Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Prime Minister of Pakistan returned to Karachi this afternoon by air after over a week's tour of East Bengal.

Giving his impressions of the tour, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan told pressmen at the airport that he had a "very nice and interesting tour" and had found everything all right in East Bengal "including the defence".

OPEN AIR

I do not think I have ever yet visited Pawai or Vehar Lakes without seeing, or at all events hearing, at least one Tree Pie. Salim Ali describes it as a "chestnut brown bird about the size of a myna, with sooty black head and neck and a twelve inch long tail tipped with black". Certainly its long tail is the distinguishing feature. As may be imagined, its colours do not show up well as it sits among the foliage of a tall tree, but it is quite unmistakable when it flies from one tree to another with its long tail streaming out behind it. In flight it uses a few strong wing beats, and then glides for a short distance with wings outspread, then gives a few more wing beats to pick up speed again. While the Tree Pie feeds mainly on insects, lizards and small mice, it is also a notorious robber and steals the eggs and fledglings from the nests of other birds most shamelessly. It rarely comes to the ground but does most of its hunting for food while clambering about among the branches of the trees, now pecking out an insect from a crack in the bark or chasing a little lizard which tries to escape its cruel beak. In the flowering season of the Silk Cotton tree it may also be seen among the many birds which visit the tree to feed on the honey of the lovely red flowers.



D. R.

St. Xaviers Beaten By Ten Wickets

MEDH'S ALL-ROUND PERFORMANCE FOR E. C. & R. I. S.

BOMBAY, Tuesday: The quarter-finals of the Inter-Collegiate Tournament was decided today and Ruia, Jai Hind, E. C. and R. I. S. and Grant Medical College earned the right to contest the semi-finals.

Some really fine bowling performances were registered. Denish Medh of E. C. and R. I. S. captured 4 wickets of Siddarth College for 31 runs and besides he carried his bat for an unbeaten 43 out of his side's total of 83 only. E. C. and R. I. S. won by 49 runs.

St. Xavier's College, last year's champions lost by ten wickets to Ruia College. Jai Hind College managed to beat Veternary College by 29 runs and Grant Medical College beat G. S. M. College by 97 runs. Clerk bowled well and was mainly responsible for his sides victory. He captured 4 wickets for 10 runs.

The semi-finals will commence on the 2nd and 3rd of December.

RESULTS

E. C. AND R. I. S. BEAT SIDDARTH COLLEGE BY 49 RUNS.

E. C. and R. I. S. 185 and 83 (Medh 43 not out R. N. Rege 3 for 8.)

Siddarth College 112 and 107 (Bhagwat 22, Bardanwalla 14; Mashruwala 3 for 27, Medh 4 for 31.)

JAI HIND COLLEGE BEAT VETERNARY COLLEGE BY 29 RUNS.

Jai Hind College 47 and 88.

Veternary College 15 and 91 (Punjabi 5 for 29, Gulab Lala 5 for 32.)

G. M. C. BEAT G. S. M. COLLEGE

G. M. C. 101 and 111.

G. S. M. 40 and 75 (Trilokekar 33, Kazi 4 for 3, Clerk 4 for 10.)

RUIA COLLEGE BEAT ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE BY 10 WICKETS.

St. Xavier's College 100 and 141.

Ruia College 236 and 5 for no loss.

INTER-COLLEGIATE BOXING

Friedelis And Shirazi's Grand Display

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Inter-Collegiate Boxing tournament was continued today at the University Gardens before a fairly good and appreciative crowd. The fights were of the same high standard of the previous day and many good rounds were witnessed.

B. D'Souza (St. Xavier's) gave an inspired display of scientific boxing when he out pointed A. S. Chitnis (Siddarth College) on points. Friedelis (St. Xavier's) Scored a facile victory over Dandekar (E. C. & R. I. S.)

In two of the bouts the referee had to disqualify the fighters. B. R. Madan (Siddarth) was disqualified in the first round for not putting up a fight and S. Engineer (Siddarth) was disqualified in the second round after his wound on the left eye opened. The final's day programme will take place to-morrow at 4-30 p.m.

RESULTS

The following were the results of the various fights:—

Juniors: 7st 5llb and under Saleem Baig (St. X.) beat E. Moses (St. X.) on points.

7st 12lb and under B. D'Solza (St. X.) beat A. S. Chitnis (Sidd.) on points.

Seniors:—

FLY WEIGHT

R. F. Irani (St. X.) beat Chichgar (Podar) knock out referee stopping fight in 2nd round.

R. F. Irani (St. X.) walk over H. A. David (St. X.).

BANTAM WEIGHT

S. Shirazi (Podar) beat B. R. Madan (Sidd.) being disqualified in the first round.

R. Dastoor (Wilson) beat G. Garvalho (St. X.) on points.

FEATHER WEIGHT

J. M. Mistry (Nat. Med.) beat R. Dave (Podar) knock out in first round.

LIGHT WEIGHT

R. M. Kapadia (Sidd.) beat R. P. Tata (Sidd.) on points.

A. M. Friedelis (St. X.) beat Dandekar (E. C. & R. I. S.) on points.

FEATHER WEIGHT

L. B. Thakrav (Wilson) beat S. Engineer (Sidd.) disqualified on second round.

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY ASSOCIATION GROUND
3/45 p.m. Young Sports 'B' vs. R.I.A.P. (Division II).
4/45 p.m. Lusitanian's 'B' vs. Young Comrades 'A' (Division I).

PARSI CYCLISTS GROUND
5 p.m. Bombay Parsi S. A. vs. St. Xavier's Association.

BOXING
4.30 p.m. INTER COLLEGIATE BOXING FINAL DAY

B.P.H.A. League

BOMBAY ARMY AREA CONTINUE WINNING

BOMBAY, Tuesday— Two Second Division games were played on the Association ground. In the first game Bombay Army Area beat St. Xavier's College "C" by four goals to nil. The goal-getters for Bombay Army Area were Nayyar 2, Raj 1. Rao 1.

In the second game Panchgani Parsi O. B. drew with Mazagaon Docks neither side scoring. Play was confined to both sides equally, but neither side made use of the scoring opportunities.

On the Parsi Cyclists Ground Blue Wizards beat E.C. & R.I.S. by eight goals to nil in the third division of the league.

Provincial Lawn Tennis Association

The names of the office-bearers of this Association for the year 1948/1949 are as under:—

President:— M. D. Bhatt.
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Nominated Representatives:—
By Bombay Gymkhana: G. L. Mytton.
By P. J. Hindu Gymkhana:— H. T. Parikh.
By Cricket Club of India: K.B.B.D. Dhalla.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER

Keen Contest Expected

LONDON, Nov. 30. (Reuter): A keen match is expected when England meet Switzerland in tomorrow's Soccer International at the Arsenal Stadium here provided the fog lifts in time to permit play. Fog too is holding up the arrival of the Swiss Team who were to have flown to England this morning.

Switzerland, only team to have lowered England's Soccer colours since the war, will be out to show that their one-zero win in Zurich last year was no fluke while England will be fighting to preserve their much-cherished home international record which reads at present twelve wins in twelve matches. Both sides have had to make changes from their original selections owing to injuries. Tom Finney, outside left and the dynamic Stanley Mortensen at inside right have dropped out of the England team while Switzerland have suffered a tremendous blow through injuries to two of their best players. Will Steffen, the giant left back who used to play for Chelsea, and Hans Frielaender, inside left.

WORLD RECORD FOR FIVE MILES WALK

LONDON, Nov. 30. (Reuter): The International Amateur Athletic Federation has accepted as a world record the time of 35 minutes 43.4 seconds by Harry Churcher for the five miles walk in London in June last.

Other records accepted include H. McKenley's 2 minutes 45.9 seconds for the 400 Meters at Milwaukee, the five minutes 0.7 seconds of G. Reiff of Belgium for the two thousand metres in Brussels, and the eleven seconds of Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen, the Netherlands Olympic star, for the Women's eighty metres hurdles as Amsterdam. All these feats were achieved this year.

West Indies Team For Poona

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30, (API): The West Indies Cricket team arrived here by plane this morning from Lahore. They are leaving for Poona by train tonight.

NURSERIES FOR SENIOR GOLF

LONDON, Nov. 30. (Reuter): In Pre-war years the boys' and girls' Golf Championships, without in any way having official status from the ruling bodies of men's and women's golf, played a notable role in the way of being nurseries for senior golf.

Both junior events had regular challengers from overseas and, while boys from European countries did not meet with success, a young American, S. Scheftel, took the boys' title out of the country in 1928. Generally, however, that event was a battle between the youngsters of England and Scotland, although James Buruen, who was to reach the peak of senior amateur golf won for Ireland in 1936.

The girls championship was often challenged seriously by French girls and the introduction of Mlle Simone Thion De La Chaume (now Madame Rene Lacostee) to the top flight of Women's Golf can be traced back to her success in the British Girls Championship of 1924.

Diana Esmond won years later and a third French success came in 1937 when Mlle Lady Vagliano (now Vicomtesse De Saint Sauveur) was successful.

Add to these few imposing names such former girls as Diana Fishwick, En D. Wislson, Nairn Baird, Jessie Anderson and the boys A. W. Peattie Eric Meruvie, Eric Fiddian, Nector Thomson Ladd Lucas and John Langley, winners respectively of girls and boys titles before proceeding to International rank in Senior Golf, and it can be seen that the Junior Championships were ideal training grounds.

The Girls' Championship because of expense and travelling was always held near London and rarely attracted a large entry but if the ladies Golf Union decided to take the event round the British Isles as in the case of their senior events they must tap new sources of potential international talent from among those youngsters who could not afford to travel to London every year.

TAMPA, FLORIDA, Nov. 30, (Reuter):— Lee Oma whose much discussed fight with Bruce Woodcock in an English ring is still talked about in boxing circles knocked out Tommy Gomez in the first round of a fight arranged for ten rounds here last night.

AARON JOSHUA SHAPING WELL AS CONTENDER FOR WORLD TITLE

Notches Series Of Impressive Wins Along West Coast Of U. S. A.

CALCUTTA. Nov. 29 (UPA)—Has Aaron Joshua the makings of a world-beater? Some people, at least think that the Hebrew "Calcutta Clouter" has, writes Ronald V. Rolfe.

Campaigning at the present time along the West Coast of the USA, the popular local mitt-slinger has notched a series of impressive victories. His recent victims have been Marlin (Bucky) Edwards, the Vallejo Negro, and "Baby Face" Gutierrez, and, most recently of all on November 9, Tony Boccara, official kingpin in Mexico's feather division.

That puts Joshua in line for top-line fights all along the Pacific Coast. it is considered.

Joshua's manager, Sid Flaherty, says a couple more verdicts like that will set his charge on the path to "real money". Yet further, at least one-sports-writer who has frequently seen Joshua in action, declares he has it on reliable authority that the Fighting Hebrew is shaping well for consideration as a contender for world honours.

May well be. I personally saw Aaron graduate from school-boy "paperweight" class to the point of gaining a verdict over Danny O'Sullivan, back in 1943. O'Sullivan, it will be recalled, was recently knocked out in the seventh round by the redoubtable Jackie Paterson.

Back in these days of Danny's war-time "tour" of India he carried all before him with his deadly left hook—till he met Joshua. In the final of the feather division of the India-Burma-China tourney in Calcutta five years ago, O'Sullivan dropped a decisive points verdict to the local man.

Joshua never carried a lethal punch. He improved somewhat since his evacuation from Burma to India on the Japanese occupation in 1942, but his forte, I always thought, was his unspectacular skill and knowledge of the finer points of the game.

This might not mean very much to bloodthirsty fight fans, but certainly counts with the referee and how the verdict goes. Maybe with more newly acquired experience of the rugged going in American rings, Joshua has developed into a real slugger.

Report has it anyway that in his San Jose tilt with Boccara, the odds-on favourite, he scored a big upset. After putting the Mexican champion down for a count of eight in the third round, the Hebrew went on to run out a comfortable winner without conceding a single session, according to most American critics.

One sports scribe thinks Joshua one of the most underrated fighters in California today, considering his win over Beccarra, who enjoyed a big reputation in San Jose before he went to Mexico to annex the title.

The amiable, stocky, prematurely balding "Josh", as he is known to thousands of fans in his home country, is not particularly interested in achieving world honours. He is currently in the States for the purposes of study. He is genuinely interested in the fight game, if he can pick up some money thereby to keep him in funds and maybe put away a little, well, why not?

What he's real worried about is how to replace some of that fast disappearing thtach.

LONDON, Nov. 30, (Reuter): George Pope, the Derbyshire Country cricketer who toured India in 1937-38 and played against South Africa at Lords in 1947, has been released from his contract by the Derbyshire Club. This is because of the approaching removal to Jersy, for health reasons, of his wife and Derbyshire realise that it would be impossible for him to be available throughout the season without great inconvenience.

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LAHORE, Nov. 30, (API): The hope that Pakistan would be able to send a team to tour England next year was expressed by Mr. Justice A. R. Cornelius, Vice-President of the Board of Control for Cricket in Pakistan, at a banquet given by the Board in honour of the West Indies Cricket Team here last night. Khan Iftikhar Hussain Khan of Mamdot presided.

CUTTACK, Nov. 30, (U. P. I.): According to the tentative proposal sent by the Government of Orissa to the Constituent Assembly Secretariat, there will be 127 seats in the Provincial Legislature under the new constitution. The Legislature will include members from the States areas which have been merged into the Province. The number of seats for Mayurbhanj State area is also likely to be amalgamated with the Province, will be determined later on.

RAILWAY STRIKE INOPPORTUNE

National Workers' Federation Council's Resolution

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The General Council of Indian National Railway Workers' Federation which concluded its two-day session today adopted a number of resolutions and the new constitution of the Federation.

The Council declared in a resolution that the strike of railwaymen under the present circumstances would be against the interests of the country and, therefore, strongly opposed the strike move on the part of certain sections of railwaymen.

By another resolution, the Council, while appreciating the Central Pay Commission's recommendations, states that it did not fully satisfy the railway workers' demands. It called upon the Railway Board to set up immediately Special Regional Tribunals with Central Co-ordinating authority to implement the Pay Commission's recommendations to the full satisfaction of railway workers.

The Council also was of opinion that the Grain Shops Organisation should be closed within one month and that cash dearness allowance in accordance with the cost of living index as recommended by the Central Pay Commission should be paid to railway employees from the date of closure of grain shops.

Dr. Suresh Chandra Banneji was re-elected the President of the Federation and Mr. G. Mapara was elected as the General Secretary of the Federation.

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY FOG..

LONDON, Nov. 29 (Reuter): Happiest men in England today are black market thieves who find the fog perfect cover to loot farms of turkeys and other poultry for the Christmas sales.

Although farmers have been taking precautions against thefts and a time when the strictly rationed poultry supply is never enough to meet the demand, the fog baffles the best defences, and armed guards and dogs are powerless to cope with the raiders.

BEGUSERAI, Nov. 29, (A.P.I.): Two women smugglers from whose possession about 14 seers of Nepali ganja has been recovered by the police at Barauni Junction on the O. T. Railway recently have been sentenced to six months rigorous imprisonment by a local Magistrate.

Winter Races

SECOND DAY HANDICAPS

The following are handicaps for Bombay Races second winter meeting due for decision on Saturday, fourth December:—

THE H. C. CLIFTON PLATE. (Horses Class II). Distance 1 mile.

Panna 9-2, Pixie Party 9-1, Maqun 8-13, Fortuna 8-12, Royal Mantle 8-11, Royal Crusader 8-11, Jeanne d'Arc 8-11, Goodwill 8-10, Gipsy Moon 8-9, Kunigal Star 8-9, Boop's Fancy 8-8, Raj Doot 8-6, Ferial 8-5, Royal Flower 8-5, Je Reviens 8-1, Ramal 8-0, Brave Prince 7-10.

THE C. H. MALONE PLATE. (Indian Horses Class III). Distance 1 mile.

Churchill 9-2, Black Page 9-0, Bhopal Star 8-13, Navvara 8-12, Balam 8-11, Dunar 8-9, Truman 8-9, Mauretania 8-9, Pride d'Antibes 8.6, Mashe 8-0, Shah Jahan 7-13, Pom Pom II 7-12, The Judge 7-12, Happy Go Lucky 7-11, Baaz Bahadur 7-10, Adeline 7-8, Windsor Park 7-8.

THE PURANDHAR PLATE. Division I. (Indian Horses Class IV). Distance 7 furlongs.

Gnizala 9-3, Spring Chicken 9-0, Saita 8-12, Hurry On 8-12, Khundu 8-12, Ariel Maid 8-11, Hikmet 8-11, Super Charge 8-11, Nirvana 8-10, Mahi-Nau 8-10, Rashtrapati 8-8, My Pet 8-6, Game Bid 8-6, Azad Hind 8-6, Embarkation 8-4, Bashir 8-4, Fatna 8-4 Fantasy 8-1, King Sheridan 8-0, Merry Windsor 7-10, Fashion Parade 7-7.

THE PURANDHAR Plate Division II. Caltex 9-2, Blue Mist 9-1, Mahdi 9-0, Courage 8-13, Aan Baan 8-9, Rana Pratap 8-8, Gay Fool 8-8, Happy Returns 8-8, Bold Bandit 8-8, Moulin Rouge 8-7, Mirena 8-7, Chanchal 8-6 Bronzewing 8-6, Anna 8-6, Kurisawari 8-3, Abbess 8-2, Windsor Knight 8-0, Gay Count 7-11, Talisman 7-10, Paimy Days 7-10 Ayaaz 7-10 Polka Note 7-6.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

THE MEERUT PLATE. (Indian Horses, 4 years and over, Class V, Maidens). Distance 6 furlongs.

Chetna 9-4, Blank Cheque 9-3, Peer Shan 8-11, Whispering 8-8, Chandra Kumar 8-7, Lilly Grove 8-7, Post to Post 8-5, Who's That 8-5, Desert Hawk 8-4, Janeve 8-3, Sonnet 8-2, Big Hit 8-0, Maha Nanda 7-12, Plucky Princess 7-12, Arvind 7-10, Miss Prestige 7-10, Lakshmi Devi 7-8, Eileen 7-8, Crepe de Chine 7-8 Plus Four 7-5, Vikram Aditya 7-4.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances

THE BELLASIS PLATE. (Indian Horses, 4 years and over, Class V, placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd). Distance 1 mile, 1 furlong.

Keen Boy 9-3, Blue Lotus 9-0, Bavaji 8-13, Star in a Million 8-12, Du Barry 8-11, Chetna 8-7, Laaji 8-7, Firefly 8-6, Shamma 8-5 Interlaken 8-5, Broken Mask 7-10, Miss Rutty 7-6, Robin Adair 7-6, Home Spun 7-4.

To be ridden on even terms by Apprentice Jockeys who have not ridden 10 or more winners.

THE LAHORE PLATE. Division I. (Indian Fillies, 3 years old only, Class V, Maidens). Distance 6 furlongs.

On and On 8-12, Supriya 8-12, Rubayat 8-12, Gipsy Flower 8-12, Ma Cherie 8-12, Kalpana 8-12 Trunk Call 8-12, Big Hearted 8-12, Katie Aam 8-12, Adorable 8-12, Ghafiah 8-12.

THE LAHORE PLATE. Division II. Down South 8-12, Yes 8-12, Midinette 8-12, Fowzia 8-12, Indus 8-12, Gurjari 8-12, Duchess of Ramgarh 8-12, Miss Primrose 8-12, Sarojini 8-12, Fair Rose 8-12, Sweetie Shah 8-12.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

Eliminating Contests For European Titles

LONDON, Nov. 29 (Reuter)—Tiberio Mitri, Italian middle-weight champion, and Dick Turpin, British and British Empire champion, boxed a draw over twelve rounds in the final eliminator for the European middle-weight title at the Royal Albert hall here tonight.

Mitri and Turpin will now have to meet again for the right to challenge European champion Cyrille Belannoit, of Belgium, for this title.

The decision was greeted by mild booing from sections of the crowd but seemed to meet with the approval of the majority.

Mitri, who at 22 was eight years younger than Turpin, did most of the forcing, but there were periods when Turpin made him look a novice.

The Italian was obviously stronger, but he was inclined to slap rather than hit with the knuckle part of the glove.

However he deserved credit for the manner in which he kept boring into his opponent, and he made up ground in offensive during the last two rounds.

The referee was M. Vaisberg of France.

EDDIE MILLER TO MEET RONNIE CLAYTON

Eddie Miller, the Australian feather-weight champion, beat Tony Lombard (South Africa) on points over 11 rounds in the final eliminator for the British Empire championship.

Against an opponent, who did most of the forcing, Miller was elusive and counter-punched brilliantly.

Although his left eye was badly cut for the last two rounds, he frustrated all Lombard's efforts to win by a knockout and held on to his points lead to win. Miller now meets Ronnie Clayton, of Britain for the title.

In an eight rounds' bantam-weight contest Jackie Paterson, of Glasgow, former world flyweight champion, was beaten on points by Ron Draper, of Southampton.

In an eight rounds' middle-weight bout Vince Hawkins, former British champion, beat Jean Stock, French champion, on points.

BRISBANE, Nov. 30, (Reuter): New South Wales beat Queensland on the first innings of their Sheffield Shied Match which ended here today, Queensland being all out for 384 in reply to the 499 of New South Wales. There was never a chance of a definite result and New South Wales lost three second innings wickets for 93 before stumps were drawn.

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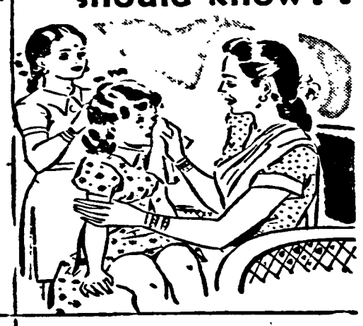

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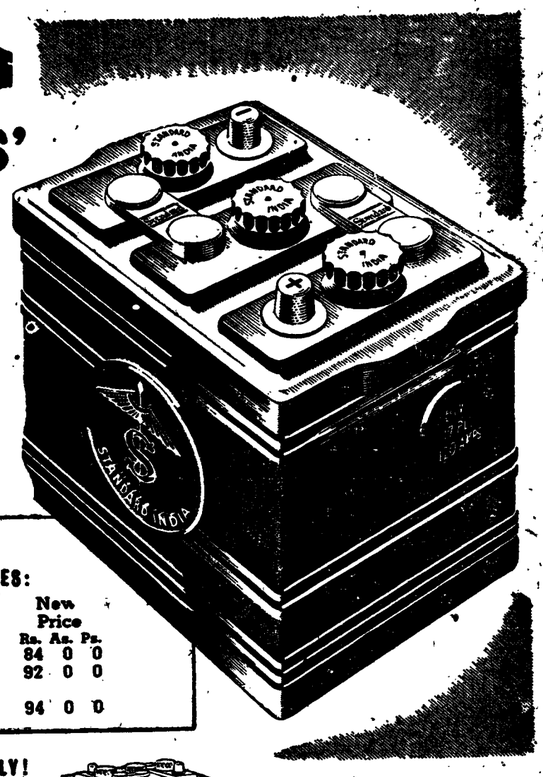

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WORLD FOOD SITUATION GETTING BETTER

F.A.O. Warns However, Against False Sense Of Security

WASHINGTON, Nov 29 (Reuter)—For the first time since the war the food situation, at least in the Western world, had been greatly eased, a report issued here today by the World Food and Agricultural Organisation said.

The 58-nation body, which completed its annual conference today, warned however that the world still "depends on the luck of the next year's harvest"

The great improvement in recent months in the world food situation "may too easily endangered a false sense of security", the report said

The report gave three reasons why optimism must be tampered with caution in appraising the future outlook.

(1) This year harvest was far above what could be expected in an average year.

(2) The increased dependency of the world on supplies from North America raised the element of risk because of extreme fluctuations of output which might occur in the United States and Canada.

(3) World stocks of food are at barest minimum and will still be low at the end of 1948-49.

A study of 'fundamental trends in agriculture" led to the conclusion that unless the development envisaged for Russia's eastern regions is particularly rapid and successful, "it is doubtful whether she will become a large exporter of foodstuffs in the near future except in extremely favourable seasons"

The Far East may be able to bring new land into cultivation to a limited extent but it seems doubtful whether the Far East Asia whole will be able to resume export of agricultural products on the pre-war scale, the report said.

Africa facing a large increase in internal requirements, has to improve the food supply of her own population but at the same time has an opportunity of paying a larger part than hitherto in provisioning Europe, notably in oilseeds, it added.

BIG FOUR POWERS AGREE TO BRAMUGLIA PLAN

But Chances Of Success Very Doubtful

PARIS, Nov. 29 (U.P.A.): The Big Four powers today gave tentative agreement to the new proposal by Juan A. Bramuglia, President of the Security Council, for a settlement of the Berlin currency problem as a step toward ending the Russian blockade.

It was understood, authoritatively, however, that the Western Allies regard the proposal merely as a tacit confession of failure to end the Berlin crisis by "neutral" negotiation. They take the view that deterioration of the Berlin situation is so rapid that the city may be split into two parts before the United Nations can do any mediating

It was understood the Western Allies formally will accept Bramuglia's new proposal tomorrow.

Andrei Vishinsky, Chief Russian delegate, was understood to have accepted it at the meeting with Bramuglia tonight.

Bramuglia's turn as Security Council President ends at midnight tomorrow under the system by which each member country makes the chairman for one month at a time. He hopes to announce the "acceptance" of his proposal involving the naming of a committee of neutral experts to study the Berlin currency problem sometime tomorrow.

The Western Powers believe it would take any such committee at least one month to study the problem. They regard it merely as a new twist to earlier proposals and it offers no hope of an early solution.

ATTEMPT TO SET UP 'RED' ADMINISTRATION IN BERLIN

BERLIN, Nov. 30 (Reuter)..The Communist Deputy Chairman of the Berlin City Assembly, Herr Ottomar Geschke, has called a special meeting of the Assembly today which, usually well-informed German sources forecast, would initiate an attempt to set up a Communist city administration.

Representatives of the trade unions and the "mass organisations" have been invited.

The Soviet-controlled Free German Trade Union Organisation has called all Berlin workers to a Soviet sector demonstration against the present administration which meets in the Western sector and against elections to be held in the Western sectors on Sunday.

Marshal Vassily Sokolovsky, Soviet Military Governor, has protested to the Western Governors against the elections which have been banned in his section.

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NO FURTHER CUT IN ELECTRIC POWER SUPPLY

BOMBAY, Tuesday:

There will not be any further cut in the supply of electric power for domestic purposes as the supply position has improved, it was stated today.

The Tata Hydro-Electric Supply Company has instructed the BEST not to cut off feeders supplying power for domestic uses. In this connection, it may be recalled that the BEST had instituted a system of "rotation black-out" by which power was cut in certain selected localities by rotation.

The textile mills in Bombay are receiving 60 per cent of their normal qouta of electric supply.

SUMMONS UNDER RENT CONTROL ACT

Mr. Chimanlal Vadilal Shah, owner of Matrubhoomi House in Meadows Street, Bombay, prayed for process against Mr. Amritlal Sheth, and four others, said to be the tenants of the building before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, under the Bombay Rents, Hotel and Lodging House Rates (Central) Act of 1947.

Summons was accordingly issued and the respondents directed to produce in Court the documents of the States People Ltd. of which respondent No 1 is the Manager-in-Chief.

The complaintant alleged that the accused had "deliberately and with ulterior motives given false particulars on certain points and failed to furnish particulars on certain other points", in regard to their sub-tenants, and the rent etc., thereof.

INDEPENDENT IRAQ

Enters Into Diplomatic Relations With India

(BY N. F.)

The official announcement that Iraq and India have agreed to establish diplomatic relations at Legation level will be happily received by the peoples of the two countries as it provides yet another proof of the friendly relations already existing between Iraq and India.

Iraq was one of the several Arab provinces liberated from the Ottoman Empire in the First World War. The political settlement which followed did not embody the fullest realization of the aspirations for which the people fought on the Allied side during the war, but considerably fell short of it. Nevertheless Iraq continued its efforts in the subsequent years. It became a kingdom upon the accession of King Faisal the First to the throne in 1921. During the next ten years she made great progress and reached a high enough standard of Government efficiency and stability to be admitted to the League of Nations in 1932 as an independent sovereign state.

September 1939 found Great Britain at war, and Iraq accordingly called upon to fulfill her commitments under the treaty of 1930. Yet these commitments were reciprocal, and many were aware that Iraq herself had already become the victim of another form of aggression, in combating which she had received little assistance. This was no invasion of her frontiers by uniformed men and machines, but the virus of political penetration, an insidious weapon in the hands of an experienced and ruthless foe.

ARAB NATIONAL MOVEMENT.

Furthermore it came at a time when Iraq's national equanimity was already seriously shaken. For some years she had been watching with increasing disquiet the tendencious aspect of events in sister States with whom she felt her future to be identified. Owing to the non-fulfilment of the Anglo-Arab Agreement of 1915, Arab public opinion was crystalizing into a strong national movement. In Palestine itself, political Zionism waxed aggressive in its fight for unrestricted immigration and political domination. In Syria up to 1940, the provision in the mandate for its own ultimate termination had been ignored by the French, while more recently under the Vichy regime the country had become a centre for the political and military activities of the Axis Powers.

Each of these facts served to increase Iraq's misgivings, and what little reassurance was forthcoming from her ally was insufficient to prevent her resistance from being dangerously weakened. It was accordingly less surprising when in 1941 this state of affairs culminated in an attempt by an unscrupulous and non-representative faction to interfere with the legitimate Government of the country.

Since 1941 much has been done by both allies to restore each other's confidence, and a landmark was reached in January, 1943, with Iraq's decision to enter the ranks of the United Nations as a belligerent. Her very real sacrifices in the cause of freedom already too well-known may be taken as a measure of her dedication to that cause and her belief in its ultimate justice.

And so, with a clear conscience and great expectations Iraq faces the future. Nor does she face it alone. In the last quarter of a century she has become a corporate State, able to play a leading role in the wider destinies of that community of Arab countries whose history, language and religion made them a single entity in the past and point the way to reunion in the future. Iraq cannot remain politically or economically isolated. She is too small a unit to hold her own in the economic and dynamic regrouping of nations in the post-war world. Her one hope of seurity lies in the reintegration of the Arab World, whereby not only her own future would be safeguarded, but the interests of her neighbours and traditional allies. Disruption in the past has left the integral parts of the Arab Nation at the mercy of strangers. Reunion in the future is their rightful destiny.

POLICE OFFICER SHOOTS HIMSELF

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A 25-year old police officer, Sub-Inspector, L. A. Chavan, attached to the Byculla police station bade adieu to life this morning by blowing out his brains, according to an unofficial version. Another version says that the fatal bullet which snapped the thread of his life was aimed at his heart.

But beyond the fact of the tragic suicide by a bullet details are lacking as to the exact circumstances which provoked the unfortunate man to put an end to his life

It will be recalled that young Chavan was tried in a city court about two years ago on a charge of accepting illegal gratification and acquitted, as there was no evidence against him. In the departmental inquiry which followed, he was fully exonerated and re-instated.

The deceased, it is learnt was an LL.B., of the Bombay University, and had been married about six months ago.

City Tragedies

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

An excess dose of eucalyptus which he took to relieve his stomach pain, proved fatal to Yenkanna Yenkayya (28), of Hanuman Lane, Girgaum.

He died in the K.E.M. Hospital this morning, about twelve hours after he administered to himself the medicine.

S. P. D'Cruz, (60), a retired fitter of a spinning mill, fell down, fatally, to the road from his second floor flat in Kassam Mitha Building, Vincent Road, while he was having an afternoon nap yesterday on the verandah. He died in the K.E.M. Hospital, a few hours after the fall.

Defamation Charge Against Karanjia

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A summons was issued by Mr. Oscar H. Brown, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, today, to be served on Mr. R. K. Karanjia, Editor of the "Blitz", to answer a charge of defamation brought against him by Mr. H M. Khan, Manager of the Andheri-Marol-Kurla Bus Company.

The complaintant submitted that the article in question contained "false and scurrilous allegations" which were made against the Company and its employees. He further stated that the accused also published in the article "false and defamatory" statements about him.

Finally the complainant stated that the defamatory passages in the said articles which had been widely ciculated in Greater Bombay & other parts of India tended to lower him in the estimation of the public and did great harm both from the point of his business and reputation.

Rao Bahadur M. F. Coelho with Mr. D. J. Selwyn appeared for the complaint.

When Pakistan Consembly Opens

KARACHI, Nov. 30 (API): Doctor Omer Hayat Malik a Member of the pane of Chairman of the Constituent Assembly of Pakistan, has been nominated to preside over the deliberations of the opening day of the Assembly on December 14. it was learned here today.

The Assembly will meet on December 14 as the constitution making body and the agenda for the day includes the election of a new president.

R. I. N. To Salvage Sunken Craft

OPERATIONS WILL START TOMORROW

(FROM OUR STAFF REPORTER)

BOMBAY, TUESDAY.

FROM NOON ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, THE ROYAL INDIAN NAVY WILL START OPERATIONS OVER A HUNDRED MILE COASTLINE FROM BOMBAY TO RATNAGIRI TO SALVAGE NAVAL CRAFT, SUNK OR FLOUNDERED IN THE ARABIAN SEA AS A RESULT OF THE CYCLONE OF NOVEMBER 22.

Already during the last two days, the Royal Indian Navy has been busy surveying the sea for wreckage and also salvaging such of their vessels which have sustained damage.

Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, Government of Bombay, and Mr. Purushottam Thakar, General Secretary of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, on behalf of the victims of the cyclone who have sought the assistance of the B.P.C.C. approached the Naval authorities to extend their help for the salvage of hundreds of country craft and privately-owned ships and boats.

The Royal Indian Navy having readily agreed, they propose to commence operations, at high tide on Wednesday. A number of sloops and trawlers constituting a survey party are already out at sea and the exact details of the salvage operations will be laid down in the light of the survey report.

Meanwhile, the Bombay Port Trust have surveyed the sea area within their jurisdiction and located the wreckage not only of big ships like the "S.S. Deepawati" but of country-craft as well.

The Bombay Provincial Congress Committee have received reports of damage done to over 70 country craft. This is besides the bigger ships owned by established steam-ship lines whose loss or damage may have been reported to their owners. Of those reported to the B.P.C.C. 14 are definitely known to have foundered, 29 are reported missing and 27 are said to be grounded in the mud and can be refloated.

Over 500 seamen from various West Coast ports, like Uran, Alibag, Panvel and Ratnagiri have been stranded in Bombay as a result of the storm. The B.P.C.C. immediately arranged for their board and lodging and also provided them with other amenities.

At the instance of the B.P.C.C., it is learnt that the Bombay Steam Navigation Company has agreed to give the stranded boatmen free passage to their respective homes.

"RESETTLEMENT & EMPLOYMENT"

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Addressing the Bombay Rotarians at Green's Hotel this afternoon Mr. M. G. Monani, Regional Director, Resettlement and Employment, Bombay, emphasised that as a result of modern economic development national economic planning had become essential. Rotarian N. S. Sen presided.

Mr. Monani was speaking on "employers and employment" pointed out that a man-power budget was the first step towards the carrying out of any planned development. For the purpose of a man-power budget he stressed the need of collecting statistics on such points as the availability of total man-power, adaptability and mobility of man-power and the time needed to train personnel for the new production schemes.

Referring to the social security legislation such as unemployment insurance, Mr. Monani affirmed that in many countries the State had accepted the responsibility for providing employment to all able-bodied citizens. The Employment Services Organisation was the most suitable medium for carrying out this object.

Mr. Monani stated that though excellent co-operation had been received from all government departments as well as many big employers of labour, there were still many who did not make use of the facilities offered. The service could only improve in proportion to the use made of it.

He therefore invited the leaders of commerce and industry to co-operate with and intimate their requirements of personnel to the Exchanges in the interests of the employers as well as employees.

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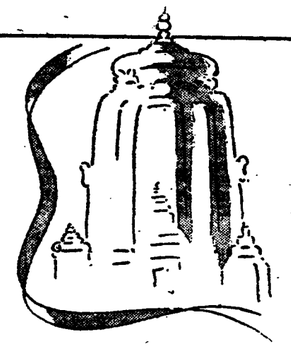

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PYARE LAL MEETS LIAQAT ALI KHAN

Grievances Of Minority Community In E. Bengal Discussed

DACCA, Nov. 2. (API): Mahatma Gandhi's Secretary Mr. Pyare Lal, who has been working in Noakhali district since Mahatma Gandhi's East Bengal tour, and M. Satish Chandradas Gupta, well-known leader of constructive work in Bengal and the Mahatma's host during his Calcutta visits, had an interview with the Premier of Pakistan, Mr. Liaqat Ali Khan, at Government House this morning.

Mr. Das Gupta later told the press that they discussed with the Prime Minister the situation in East Bengal, especially in Noakhali and gave him an idea of the various grievances of the minority community and also appraised him of the causes of the minority exodus which were "genuine and real and not merely rooted in panic and propaganda."

Mr. Das Gupta added: "The Prime Minister assured us that the Government of East Bengal, as well as the Ministers, wanted the Hindus to stay there. He also assured us that if any officer or officers were not carrying out the state policy faithfully, Government would set them right. In factual matters he appeared to differ from us and our feeling is that our talk helped him to see the situation in its true perspective

INTERNAL PEACE IN E. BENGAL

"On one point we found ourselves in complete agreement namely, that internal peace in East Bengal as between the various communities must not be allowed to be disrupted by outside events. Our viewpoint was that the minority community should not only be told out but be made to feel that the state was as much theirs as of the majority community and that the former must be treated as equal citizens with the rest in their own rights, and not be regarded as protected vassels or hostages whose good treatment would depend on what a third party outside might or might not do. On their part the minority must accept and discharge the reciprocal obligations and duty of citizenship and give their loyalty to the state. We further pointed out that constant reiteration of such slogans as "Islamic State" 'Muslim Homeland' and 'Pakistan in danger, as result of the activities of fifth columnists and enemies' tended to create a wrong psychology among the Muslim masses and even administrators, who were thus as a natural corollary led to regard the Hindu intellegentsia as aliens, and fifth columnists.

CEMENTING FRIENDSHIP

"We agreed with the Prime Minister that the sheet anchor of our hope lay in natural friendship between the Hindu and Muslim masses in East Bengal. The real arena of conflict was the middle classes and the professions. In these the Hindus were gradually and steadily being squeezed out by the majority pressure, coupled with the policy of discrimination which was being pursued by the Government. It was also unfortunately a fact that in a number of places matadores or local influentials who were party bosses too in their respective areas and who were in fact largely behind the Noakhali riots, were influencing and exploiting the machinery of administration and justice to compass their selfish ends. The Hindus, as a result, had begun to feel more and more that they could not realy on the Government machinery of administration and the normal legal processes for the protection of their legitimate rights and the redress of even flagarant wrongs and this filled them with a feeling of insecurity and panic. This state of things had to be remedied. all professions of the Government, however, sincerely meant, would not avail much if the Government were unwilling or unable firmly and effectively to deal with the ruffian or the ring-leader elements, some of whom occupied position of considerable social and political prestige and power."

The customs barrier and border incidents, and the possibility of a non-aggression pact between the two states, were also discussed, Mr. Das Gupta added.

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MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS COMMITTEE 3-30 p.m. (S.T.)

CORPORATION MEETING: Tomorrow (Thursday) at 3 p.m. (B.T.)

STANDING COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING: After weekly meeting for consideration Budget estimates.

Today's Engagements

HUSSEINI BAI ... under auspices of Muslim Social Workers' Group, Bombay ... Meeting will be held at Khoja Dongri today (Wednesday) at 9-15 p.m. to commemorate Martyrdom of Hazrat Imam Husein. Dr M. U. Masani ... Mayor will preside and Hon. M A S V L. Mehta, Minister for Finance, Government of Bombay, legislators and Corporators will speak. Progressive poets will recite poems paying tributes to Martyrs of Kerbala.

BOMBAY TAMIL SANGAM: Lecture on "Jivaka Chintamani" by Sri. M S. Sundaresa Iyer at Sangam premises, Matunga today (Wednesday) at 8-30 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Talk on "Reincarnation in Practice" at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain today (Wednesday) at 6-15 p.m.

THEOSOPHICAL FEDERATION: — Celebration of Dr. Arundale's birthday at Blavatsky Lodge today (Wednesday) 6-15 p.m.

YOUTHS CULTURAL GROUP: — Second meeting today (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. under presidentship of Prof. Gokhale to adopt draft constitution.

INDIAN COUNCIL OF WORLD AFFAIRS: Bombay Branch meeting announced for Wednesday (Dec. 1) has been cancelled.

J. J. SCHOOL OF ARTS: — Exhibition of Students' Work 5 p.m. H. E. Raja Sir Maharaj Singh Governor of Bombay Presides.

CITY'S FINANCIAL POSITION

Government Studying Shroff Committee Recommendations

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Government would give their earnest consideration to the recommendations of the Shroff Committee which has just submitted its report on the financial position of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, Mr. G. D. Vartak, Minister for Local Self-Government, told "The Bombay Chronicle" reporter today.

Declining to commit himself as to whether Government would accept the various recommendations made by the Committee, the Local Self-Government Minister hinted that they would view with sympathy the Committee's suggestion for an increased grant for primary education. He also indicated that Government might grant a loan to finance the various capital works contemplated by the Corporation.

The Finance Department, it is learnt, is closely studying the recommendations of the Committee and will submit its considered views to the Cabinet shortly.

Special Trains For Cotton Traffic

The G. I. P. Railway has made special arrangements for moving cotton traffic during the current cotton season. It is estimated that the number of bales of cotton that will require movement from Bhusawal and Nagpur Divisions of this Railway is 703000 which would require 7035 wagons to carry the traffic to Bombay, Ahmedabad and Kanpur and other areas. Special quotas of wagons have been allotted under Priority class 1-(d) for the movement of this traffic in order that this valuable crop is lifted to consuming centres in time and that the important mill centres like Bombay and Ahmedabad and Kanpur receive regular supplies of cotton from C. P. & Berar to enable the mills to keep up their schedule of production.

The Railway will run as many special trains as possible within overall quotas allotted for the movement of this traffic. Whenever special trains are run, the Railway will give adequate notice to the trade.

Also special quotas under class 1-(h) have been allotted for movement of cotton seeds from C.P. & Berar, the estimated requirements of which are about 4000 wagons. In addition to this, special trains may be programmed to Bombay as and when possible.

Radio

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s) 7-30 a.m. Gottuvadyam Par Todi By Ponnuswami 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Tulsi Krut Bhajan 8-45 Ponnuswami Gottuvadyam recital 9-0 Susheela Tembe 12-0 p.m. Rang Tarang 12-30 Renuka 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Sab Rang 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch-Hour Music 4-20 School Broadcast 5-0 S. K. Abhyankar 5-30 Ponnuswami 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Brahmanand Krut Bhajan 6-30 Manikrao Kunshi 7-0 Topic of the Day 7-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 7-15 Madhurika Mazumdar and Party 7-30 Talk (H) 7-45 Gujarati Geeto 7-55 Varya Varachi Varat 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Kabirdas Krut Bhajan 8-45 Dukhiya-No-Dost 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 BBC News Relay 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 World Neighbours 10-0 Susheela Tembe 10-30 G. G. Kharadkar.

VARIATIONS

41-44 metres (7,240 kc/s) 7-40 a.m. Man Pasand Gani 5-45 Selections from Yashodhan 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-45 p.m. Commercial News 8-0 Madhurika Mazumdar and Party 8-15 Selections from 'Manasmegh' 9-0 Susheela Tembe 10-0 Cesar Coelho Tenor 10-15 Music from Latin America 10-30 Cyril Smith Pianoforte 10-45 City of Birmingham Orchestra.

HOUSING THE BACKWARD CLASS POPULATION

Five-Year Scheme To Cost Government Rs. 5,00,000

The Government of Bombay has sanctioned a scheme for the construction of houses for the Backward Classes in the Province through the agency of building societies. The scheme, which will cost the Government five lakhs of rupees in the course of five years, will be planned and administered by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies, in consultation with the Backward Class Officer.

Normally, three gunthas of land will be provided for a Backward Class family engaged in agriculture, and 1-1/2 gunthas (whereof half guntha will be available for pooling for common purposes) for a family engaged in non-agricultural pursuits. In case the site is Government land, it will be given free, and in case it is non-Government, it will be acquired and the cost of acquisition, including the price of the land, will be borne by the Government. The site will be owned by the Society and each member will hold the plot on a long lease of say 99 years on a nominal, yearly rent of four annas.

Normally, a family unit will be provided with an area of 400 square feet. Where, however, the family is engaged in agricultural pursuits, additional 180 square feet will be provided for a cattle shed and a barn.

The estimated cost of the house will not exceed Rs. 700 and Rs. 100 for shed and barn for an agriculturist's family. The actual construction of the house will be the responsibility of the individual members, but it should conform to the type design prescribed by the Registrar.

GOVERNMENT LOAN

Out of the estimated cost of the house, viz. Rs. 700, and Rs. 100 for shed and barn, 40 per cent. will be in the form of labour, etc. which should be supplied by the members and their families. The remaining 60 per cent will be given as a loan free of interest to be payable in 15 years in equal instalments. Half the amount of the loan from the Government per family will be made available to the society before the commencement of the building work and the remaining half at a stage when the building will be about half constructed. In case the cost of the building exceeds Rs. 700, labour equal to 40 per cent of the total cost will be supplied by the members of the family. The remaining amount will be considered as a loan free of interest, to be repayable in 15 years in equal instalments. The house will be mortgaged to the society till the repayment of the Government loan. The Society will be on tenant ownership and not on co-partnership tenancy basis.

Materials required for construction of buildings will be made available at prevailing rates, but preference will be given to the demands of the societies by the Forests and other Departments concerned.

GOVERNMENT CONSTITUTION

Since the societies will consist of Backward Classes, suitable Secretaries will not be available to maintain the complicated accounts in respect of the building operations and the turnover of the loans. Besides, a modest office room and other equipments will be necessary. The Government will contribute to the management expenses every year at the rate of Rs. 10 per tenement for the first two years and thereafter at the rate of Rs. 5 per tenement till the Government loan is repaid.

The above concessions will apply in Backward tracts of the Province, namely, Districts of Surat, Thana, West Khandesh and Kolaba, Panch Mahals Sub-Division, parts of Nasik, Poona, Ahmednagar and East Khandesh Districts and to some extent in Ratnagiri and Karwar Districts.

In the case of Backward Classes in other areas of the Province, building societies will be assisted in the same manner as in the case of those in the Backward tracts, the only exception being each family tenement will cost not more than Rs. 900, with the addition of Rs. 100 for a cattle shed and a barn in the case of an agricultural family units. If the cost, however, exceeds Rs. 1,000 (including the cost of cattle shed and barn), building societies constructing such houses will not be encouraged under the present scheme. Such societies, however, will be considered for registration on merits on the same terms as for other cases.

The scheme for aiding individual applicants from Backward Classes will be on the same lines as those recommended for co-operative societies except that no assistance will be given to individuals in those areas where there is sufficient population of Backward Classes to allow formation of housing societies. The cases of such individual applicants will be considered on merits and loans granted as in other cases, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Registrar and within the allocation of expenditure sanctioned for the scheme.

BOMBAY MEDICOS' RALLY

Stage Set For Convention On Dec. 4

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Preparations of the medical students of Bombay for the forthcoming convention of the medicos of all the colleges in Bombay Province, are now infull swing. The premises of Grant Medical College are full of posters depicting the determination of the students to fight to the last "ditch" in order to force the hands of Government to scale down the enhanced tuition fees. The posters are varied and picturesque. They read, "One voice, One purpose", "One blow-non-payment", "Do not restrict education, abolish the fee-increase", "Medicos Unity Zindabad", etc.

The students of the colleges from Ahmedabad and Poona are learnt to have intimated their whole-hearted sympathy and co-operation to the Action Committee. They are learnt to have with-held paying fees which had to be paid by November 23. They are expected to send their own delegates.

Detailed plans for the convention which will come off on December 4 are now being made by the Co-ordination Committee.

5,000 SEPOYS TO GO ON HUNGER-STRIKE

The Secretary, Central Excise Employees' Union writes:—

The meeting of the Central Executive Committee of the Central Excise Employees' Union was held on November 28, with Mr. S. V. Gupte, the President of the Union, in the chair. The representatives of Ratnagiri, Kolhapur, Karwar, Castle-Rock, Surat, Kharaghoda, Betul and Thana were present.

The Collector having failed to take disciplinary action against the officers of the Central Excise who is alleged to have assaulted the Secretary of the Union, the meeting decided to observe 13th inst. (Monday) as a "Hunger Strike Day". Nearly 5,000 sepoys will observe this day.

The meeting also decided to join the united front of Post, Railway and other central Government employees for securing adequate dearness allowance, wages, etc., After, 7 hours sitting the meeting terminated, adopting, 12 resolutions".

MERGED STATES & REGIONAL TRANSPORT AUTHORITIES

The Government of Bombay has empowered the Regional Transport Authorities of the Konkan, Gujarat, South Deccan and the Karnatak Regions to exercise and discharge the powers and functions conferred upon them under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, in respect of the merged States attached to them.

Sawantwadi, Janjira and Jawhar States have been attached to the Konkan Region. Banas Kantha and Sabar Kantha to the Gujarat Region and Akalkot, Phaltan, Aundh and Bhor States to the South Deccan Region.

The following eleven States viz. Sangli, Jath, Jamkhandi, Mudhol, Miraj (Senior), Miraj (Junior), Ramdurg, Kurundwad (Senior), Kurundwad (Junior), Savanur and Wadi Jagir State have been attached to the Karnatak Region.

PROTECTION TO SERICULTURE INDUSTRY

Tariff Board Inquiry Continues

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

At the resumed hearing the case for protection of the sericulture industry before the Tariff Board here to-day, representaives from different Provinces and States gave figures regarding the renditta or quantity of cocoons required for producing one pound of raw silk. It was found that there had not been any appreciable improvement in this respect since the last Tariff Board inquiry in 1938.

It was generally agreed that the costs of production of the industry in Mysore might be taken as the basis for estimating the fair selling price of Indian raw silk. It was also agreed that the cost of raw silk produced in filature would also form as a basis for the cost of production of Charka silk. On behalf of Mysore and Bengal it was urged that even charka silk was experiencing foreign competition because of the lower prices of Italian silk.

On the question of quality, representatives of handloom weavers and of silk mills stated that, while Indian silk was superior in lustre, durability, and colour, it did not still compare favourably with imported silk in respect of evenness and winding quality. The Board then examined statistics of imports, landed costs of comparable foreign products, the sources of competition, the cost of production in India and the measure and method of protection.

As regards the question of full utilization of silk waste of different kinds, it was mentioned that the Bihar Government contemplated establishing a spun silk mill for utilising waste in Northern India as recommended by the Silk Panel.

The inquiry will be continued again on Wednesday afternoon, and the Board will begin examination of the case of artificial silk and cotton and artificial silk mixed fabrics in the morning.

CONCESSIONS TO ARTISTS

A plea for provision of facilities to persons genuinely interested in Indian art, particularly Indian artists, to visit the Indian Art Exhibition at Government House, New Delhi, was made by His Excellency Raja Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay, in a letter of appreciation and thanks to the Honourable Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Government of India Minister for Education.

Agreeing with the Governar's suggestion, the Honourable Maulana Azad, in reply, said that he had already approached the Minister concerned in this regard and had asked them to provide facilities for artists and students visiting the exhibition. Referring to the extreme difficulty in securing accommodation in Delhi, the Maulana added that the only solution he could think of was to have a few rooms in some educational institutions during Christmas holidays and had suggested that the artists in Bombay who might like to visit the exhibition should get in touch with Dr. Chakravarti, Secretary of the Exhibition and Director of Archaeology.

FINALISING 'WOMEN'S DAY' PROGRAMME

Representatives of Women's organisations in city and suburbs met at the Peoples Hall on Tuesday to finalise the programme for the 'Women's Day'.

OVER RS. 150 LAKHS DAMAGE TO COASTAL AREAS OF BASSEIN

Agriculturists On Verge Of Starvation: Vartak On Government Move To Advance Tagai Loans

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Damage to the extent of rupees one crore and fifty lakhs has been caused to the coastal areas of Bassein Taluka alone by the recent cyclone which hit hardest the Thana District, said Mr. G. D. Vartak, Minister for Local Self-Government to the Government of Bombay, who has just returned after a three-day tour of the affected areas, in an interview with "The Bombay Chronicle" reporter today.

Mr. Vartak expressed the fear that the city might experience within a fortnight a shortage of the best variety of plantains that were being plentifully grown in Bassein.

Giving a first-hand impression of the extensive damage and suffering caused to the agriculturists of Bassein Taluka, Mr. Vartak said that 5,000 acres under 'bagayat' cultivation (gardening) have been completely flattened. Not even a single plantain tree has escaped the wrath of the cyclone, he said. Besides, the Taluka has suffered incalculable damages to its 700 acres of bettle leaves cultivation and 1,500 acres under vegetables and other crops.

On the creek side of the Taluka, bundles of paddy have either been blown away or damaged by the rising water, the Minister said. The only consoling factor was that no lives were lost as luckily no fisherman ventured out in the sea though many of their fishing crafts were rendered useless.

Mr. Vartak said that he had instructed the Mamlatdar of the Taluka to give immediate relief by way of cash and other assistance. He said that many of the agriculturists were on the verge of starvation and their speedy rehabilitation depended on the expedition with which Government afforded relief. He indicated that Government would give tagai loans, not only in terms of cash, but also by way of agricultural implements, manures etc.

The Minister also visited Palghar and Dahanu Talukas in the District where, he said, the damages were not so serious. In Palghar Taluka, one of the biggest centres of fish-drying industry, large quantities of dry fish have been damaged and could at best be used as manure only, he said. In Dahanu Taluka the rich fruit farms have suffered considerable destruction and he saw thousands of ripe 'chikus' strewn all over in the fields. Twenty to twenty-five per cent of 'chicku' trees have been uprooted.

Mr. Vartak returned on Monday evening after his tour of the Thana District.

Help Literacy Fund

The Bombay City Adult Education Committee has fixed today (Wednesday) as the Main Literacy Day. The main item is the holding of meetings of students in schools and colleges between 1 and 5 p.m. to celebrate the Literacy Day. There will be a mass meeting at Mastan Maidan Nagpada at 9 p.m. presided over by Mr. K. G. Saiyidaan, Educational Adviser. The Hon'ble Mr. G. D. Vartak and Mr. Morarji Desai will give talks on the Radio between 6 and 7-15 p.m. Women's meeting and cinema show at Chatai Chawl, Mazgoan at 2 p.m.

MINISTERS' TOUR PROGRAMME

Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, and Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Forests and Agriculture, will leave Bombay on Saturday, December 4, on a tour of Dharwar and Belgaum, and return on Tuesday, December 7. The Premier, who is at present in Delhi, will arrive in Bombay, by air, on Friday, December 3.

At Dharwar they will attend the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of Karnatak Education Board's College, and the social gathering of the Agriculture College, and at Belgaum, Silver Jubilee Function of the Mahila Vidyalaya and the Centenary celebration of the General Library.

They will also visit Amargol, Chhota Mahableshwar, Saundatti, Gurlhosur and Bailhongal.

The Minister for Industries, Fisheries and Backward Classes, Bombay, Mr. G. D. Tapase, will leave Bombay for Satara on December 1, in the morning and will return to Bombay on December 2, in the evening.

Industrial Conditions Enquiry Committee

The Government of Bombay has extended the terms of reference of the Industrial Conditions Enquiry Committee so as to cover the industry pertaining to the generation and supply of electrical energy in the Province.

TEXTILE EXPORTS TO PAKISTAN

Bombay Deputation Leaves For Delhi

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A five-man deputation left by plane for Delhi today on behalf of the Association of Textile Exporters to Pakistan.

The members of the deputation are Mr. D. Chetanlal, Mr. Vhalia, Mr. Biharilal, Mr. Mathuradas Mehta and Mr. Rasiklal Natverlal.

The deputation will try to persuade the Government of India to introduce the quota system in the supply of cotton textiles to Pakistan from India in the light of the recent Indo-Pakistan agreement.

PRIZE COMPETITIONS & LOTTERIES UNLAWFUL

The new Bombay Lotteries and Prize Competitions Control and Tax Act, 1948, will come into force in the whole of the Province of Bombay from December 1, 1948.

The Act makes all lotteries, other than licensed entertainment lotteries and licensed private lotteries, and all unlicensed prize competitions unlawful and provides punishment for the promotion of such unlawful lotteries or prize competitions.

The Act also provides for the grant of licences, on payment of prescribed fees and subject to prescribed conditions and for the levy of a tax on lotteries and prize competitions. It also gives wide powers to the Police to investigate offences under the Act and to arrest offenders without warrant in certain cases.

DONATION FOR CYCLONE SUFFERERS

His Excellency the Governor of Bombay has received a donation of Rs. 101/- from Pandit Sushil Chandra Chaturvedi of the Hanuman Glass Works, Firozabad, U. P. for the relief of distress caused by the recent cyclone. The donation has been forwarded by the Governor to the Premier of Bombay.

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, Nov. 30, (API): The following is the daily weather summary for Tuesday, Nov. 30 1948:—

Rainfall has been widespread in Assam and south Malabar and occurred locally in south-east Madras and the Madras Deccan.

A few falls are also reported from West Bengal, the south Bombay Deccan and the North Madras coast.

Night temperatures were appreciably above normal generally over peninsula.

Forecast valid until the evening of Dec. 1. Fairly widespread light to moderate rain is likely along and near the Coromandal coast. There will be local showers in south Malabar and Assam and a few showers in the interior of south-east Madras and in south Deccan.

Night temperatures will fall in Gangetic West Bengal, Chota Nagpur and the north Deccan.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, Nov. 30, (API): The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from October 1, 1948 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours (I.S.T.) on Nov. 30, 1948:—

Ahmedabad 88 64 0 1.0 plus 0.5; Ahmednagar 79 59 0 3.0 minus 0.3; Allahabad 75 54 0 2.8 plus 0.2; Bangalore 80 66 0 4.5 minus 4.1; BOMBAY 90 75 0 6.6 plus 3.6; Calcutta 73 64 0 10.6 plus 5.3; Colombo 86 74 0 17.7 minus 9.6; Delhi 76 48 0 0.5 0; Hyderabad (Dn.) 81 64 0 9.1 plus 5.5; Madras 86 74 0.2 17.7 minus 8.3; Mahabaleshwar 75 56 0 11.8 plus 3.9; Mysore 83 67 0 4.1 minus 4.5; Nagpur 78 55 0 4.9 plus 1.9; Patna 70 57 0 4.8 plus 2.3; Poona 82 61 0 13.1 plus 8.5; Sholapur 83 63 6.2 plus 1.9; Simla 52 39 0 0.9 minus 0.8; Surat 91 66 0 5.1 plus 3.3.

TOMORROW AT 9-30 P.M.
ALL-INDIA PREMIERE
PRAKASH Pictures
Mythological Marvel
RAM BAAN
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PREM ADIB—UMAKANT
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Director: VIJAY BHATT
Art KANU DESAI
Music SHANKERRAO VYAS
FROM FRIDAY 3rd Dec.
Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
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9-30 to 11-30
4-30 to 6-30
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Previous Reservations Valid for Show and day
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From SAT. 4th
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THE MOST LOVED & LIKED MUSICAL IN THE CITY!
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BABY NANDA IS A JEWEL
See Her Acting in
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(Courtesy S. A. Concerns)
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Daily 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30
A Pratibha Release

SHIKAYAT
A full length Comedy Hit
Starring:—
SNEHPRABHA, SHYAM
3RD WEEK
NEW WEST END
Daily 4, 6-45 & 9-30 p.m.

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Direction: BIMOL ROY
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Daily 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30 p.m.
(Adv. Bkgs:— 9-30 to 1-30: 2-30 to 7-30)

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Daily: 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30.
Sat., Sun. Matinee 12-30.
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Daily at 6-30 an 9-30 p.m.
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Matches for highly educated girls 18, 20, 40 years and also for Officer Rs. 1,000/- monthly. Box 9901 "Bombay Chronicle"

SITUATIONS VACANT

Air-India invites applications from Indian Pilots with "B" licence. Applications stating licences held, flying experience and other particulars should be forwarded to Operations Manager, Air-India Ltd., Bombay Airport, Santa Cruz, before 10th December 1948. 2385

Wanted Salesmen, Salary Rs. 230 - Apply personally, Universal Engineers (India), 57 "Razmah" Building adjoining Citylight Cinema, Mahim. (9931)

ACCOMMODATION AVAILABLE

Available from July few self-contained flats between Bandra and Andheri. Drawing hall, Two Bedrooms, Kitchen, Storeroom, two baths, Lavatory. Selection strictly according to priority. Apply for terms, etc. Apply National Housing Agency, Bombay 21 (9919)

EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Admissions — Davar's College of Commerce — Enrol immediately for Professional Diploma Courses for Company Secretaries, Bank Officers, Accountancy Specialisation and General Commerce Tuition personal or Postal. Call or write for Prospectus, 51-Esplanade Road, Bombay. (9929)

Learn Typewriting Shorthand both for three months Rs. 15 only in Paramount Shorthand Typewriting Class, Tejpal Building, Second Floor, Tribhuvan Road, near Swastik Cinema. (9922)

Typewriting — Shorthand one month course Rs. 10/-/-. Monthly Fees 3 8/-. Wanted Teachers for Commercial Subjects. New Era Commercial Classes, 557 Cheera Bazar. (9927)

Homoeopathy—Best Correspondence Course. For prospectus apply Grace Medical Mission, Mavelikara, Travancore. 107

BOOKS & MAGAZINES

Just Unpacked, Kelly's Directory of Merchants, Manufacturers and Shippers 1948, for Great Britain and the British Empire with Supplement for other Countries. Price Rs. 75. Stock limited. New Book Co., Ltd., Hornby Road, Bombay. (2423)

MACHINERY FOR SALE

American Gascutting machine, going cheap. Pioneer Radiocrafters, Mayor Building, Opposite, Dadar Station. (9916)

For Sale. Two Ruston Hornby, 110 BHP and 120 BHP New Original Packing. Only Genuine Buyers need make Definite Offers to Box No. 9904 care "Bombay Chronicle"

American "Cincinnati" Portable Electric Drills and Double Ended Bench Grinders at reasonable prices, available from Bombay stock. Sole Agents: Francis Klein & Co. (Bombay) Ltd., Shale Bldg, Bank Street, Fort, Bombay. 2384

Garrard double spring gramophone motors with complete accessories are now available from your local gramophone dealer at Rs. 60/- each. Trade enquiries solicited. Morgan Milton Ltd., 43-Park Mansions Park Street, Calcutta—16. (2135)

BUSINESS FOR SALE

Opportunity— For sale, a large well established Hotel on West Coast, overlooking sea, situated on best seabathing spot, fully furnished with land and buildings. No Brokers. Apply Box No. 9923 "Bombay Chronicle"

PROPERTIES FOR SALE

For Sale. About 3000 acres of land situated on the foothill of the Western Ghats in North Malabar, about 9 miles from Railway station covered by public metalled road, eminently suitable for cultivating low level plantations such as rubber, coffee, pine apple, lemon grass, cashew, tapioca, ginger etc., with buildings. (part of it now under cultivation), elevation ranging from 500 to 1000 feet— Interested parties may apply to: Advertiser, 5, Sambasivan Street, T Nagar, Madras. 9915

LOANS & MORTGAGES

Loans arranged on very easy terms. Apply sharp to Mr. G S Monga, Post Box No. 119 Baroda (9899)

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Just arrived! Swiss Jacquard Art Silk fabrics! Seven alluring colours, 60" width Lovely for curtains Call at Raval Tiles and Marble Ltd., 97A, Queen's Road, Bombay 1. (6778A)

PUBLIC NOTICES

OFFICIAL NOTICE

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE SHIP'S NAME

I, RUTTONJI NUSSERWANJI NAZIR, of 29B, Queen's Road, Bombay, hereby give Notice that, in consequence of change of ownership, I have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of my ship VIC 92 of Hull Official Number 180412 of gross tonnage 93.89, of registered tonnage 39.04, heretofore owned by the British Minister of Transport, Berkley Square House, London, W.1., for permission to change her name to BUXOR, to be registered at the port of Bombay as owned by me, Ruttonji Nusserwanji Nazir.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Principal Officer, Registrar of British Ships, Mercantile Marine Department, Bombay, within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated this 29th day of Nov. 1948.

Per his Agents,
Western India Shipping Consultants & Advisers Limited,
People's Building, Sir P. M. Road, Fort, Bombay.
J. F. FIDELE,
Mg. Director.
(2418)

TENDER NOTICE.

QUOTATIONS on plain paper, to be subsequently confirmed in proper tender form are invited from responsible contractors, for the supply of following materials, for the proposed new township of Gandhidham, at Port Kandla, Kutch. The tenders may be sent individually or collectively for the various items. The supply of materials will be required to be completed by June 1949, in proper proportions, starting from February, 1st 1949.

1) Quarried sand stone, or lime stone at quarry site, for plinth and foundation masonry 10,00,000 C.Ft:
2) -do- -do- trap stone 10,00,000 C.Ft:
3) Fresh lime in gunny bags 4,000 Tons
4) 2" trap metal on quarry site 10,00,000 C.Ft:
4A) 2" Metal of sand stone or lime stone 10,00,000, C.Ft:
5) 1" trap metal on quarry site 5,00,000 C.Ft:
6) Broken stone aggregate size 1" to 1" 15,00,000 C.Ft:

Note: Items 1 to 6 to be delivered on quarry site.

7) Seasoned India teak wood scantlings size 3"x4" about 8' long 2,000 Tons
8) Seasoned India teak wood scantlings size 3"x1½" about 4' long 1,000 Tons
9) Seasoned India teak wood scantlings size 3½"x5" about 12'long 600 Tons
10) Seasoned India teak wood scantlings size Planking for panels 5 8" thick 600 Tons
11) Seasoned India teak wood scantlings size 1" thick 500 Tons

Note: — Items 7 to 11 to be delivered at Port Kandla.

Quotations should reach the undersigned by December 22nd 1948 upto 1 P.M.

The right is reserved to reject any tender without assigning any reason.

N. R. RAMCHANDANI,
Chief Engineer,
Sindhu Resettlement Corporation Ltd.
Sir Phirozshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay.
Bombay, Nov. 29th, 1948.
(2412)

WANTED:

Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Byculla, Bombay.

APPLICATIONS are invited for two posts of Research Assistants (One Male and other Female) for enquiry regarding the Economic and Social effects of alcoholism on urban population in Bombay Province. The posts are temporary and likely to be continued for a period of two years and carry the following emoluments. Basic salary of Rs. 150 - in the scale of 150-10-200 plus D.A. plus conveyance Allowance of Rs. 30/- P. M. and 10 p.c. house allowance. A higher start may be given to a candidate possessing exceptional qualifications and experience. Candidates should have had training in a recognised Social Service Institution and be thoroughly acquainted with collection tabulation and analysis of socio and economic data. Preference will be given to candidates who have a good knowledge of Telugu, Marathi, and Hindustani. Applications should reach the Registrar, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Bombay, on or before 4th December 1948. (2408)

TENDER NOTICE

QUOTATIONS on plain paper to be confirmed subsequently on regular Tender Form, are invited for the work of transporting by Sea, cement in sealed gunny bags, with full responsibility for the safe condition enroute, from Port Dwarka to Port Kandla, including loading, unloading and stacking. Quantity to be transported will be about 20,000 tons, commencing from February 1st, 1949, at the rate of 2000 to 3000 tons per month as required.

Offers to reach the Undersigned by 22nd December 1948 upto 1.00 p.m.

N. R. RAMCHANDANI,
Chief Engineer,
Sindhu Resettlement Corporation Ltd.
Sir Phirozeshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay. 1.
Bombay, Nov. 29th, 1948.
(2413)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

THE B.E.S. & T. COMMITTEE

PUBLIC NOTICE

ROUTE "A2".

On and from MONDAY, the 6th December, 1948, the following will be the running of Route "A2":—

ROUTE:— Electric House to Byculla Bridge. As at present from Byculla Bridge to Alexandra Dock, Red Gate then via Wittet Road, Sprott Road, Caltex Pump, Ballard Road, Sir Phirozshah Mehta Road, Hornby Road, Flora Fountain, Churchgate Street, Churchgate Station, Jamshedji Tata Road, Dinshaw Watcha Road, Queen's Road, Band Stand, Cooperage Road, Ormiston Road to Electric House and return via same route.

HEADWAY:— 11 Minutes.

FIRST & LAST BUS:—

	First Bus.	Last Bus.
From Electric House	8.33	20.06
From Byculla Bridge	8.00	19.55

TRAFFIC MANAGER

Bombay, 29th November, 1948. 2410

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

THE B.E.S. & T. COMMITTEE

PUBLIC NOTICE

ROUTE "DI"

On and from Monday, the 6th December, 1948, the following will be the running of Route "DI":—

ROUTE:— From Colaba Station to Ballard Estate (Caltex Pump) along the present route and return to Colaba Station via Currimbhoy Road and Nicol Road and then as above. The present Service to Electric House via Churchgate Station is suspended, and its place is taken by the new "A2" Services.

HEADWAY:— 11 Minutes.

FIRST & LAST BUS:—

MONDAY TO FRIDAY:	First Bus.	Last Bus.
From Colaba Station	8.20	19.36
From Caltex Pump	8.34	19.50
SATURDAYS:		
From Colaba Station	8.20	14.45
From Caltex Pump	8.34	14.59

NOTE: No Service on Sundays and Holidays.

TRAFFIC MANAGER

Bombay, 29th November, 1948. (2410)

DEPARTMENTAL READING SERIES FOR 1949-50.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the printing of the following Departmental text books so as to reach the office of the Director of Public Instruction, Poona, on or before 2 p.m. on Wednesday, the 15th of December, 1948.

	Primer (No. of copies required).	Reader I (No. of copies required).	Reader II. (No. of copies required).
MARATHI	7,00,000	7,00,000	5,00,000
GUJARATI	3,00,000	3,00,000	2,50,000
KANNADA	3,00,000	3,00,000	2,50,000

Detailed specifications in respect of these books and other particulars are contained in the Tender form, which can be had from the office of the Director of Public Instruction, Poona, on payment of Re. 1/- per form. The Press copies of these books will be available for inspection on working days at the above office during office hours. Separate tenders must be sent for each book and in each language and each tender must be accompanied by a chalan for Rs. 500/- from a Government Treasury paid into that Treasury as earnest money.

D. C. PAVATE,
Director of Public Instruction
(2383)

NOTIFICATION

SHAREHOLDERS of the Reserve Bank of India are informed that in accordance with Reserve Bank of India Transfer to Public Ownership) Rules 1948, compensation in the form of promissory notes and cheques is payable against the surrender of the share certificate accompanied by the prescribed form of application duly completed. Shareholders can obtain these forms from offices on and after the 6th December 1948. They are requested to complete the forms with due regard to the instructions printed on the reverse of the forms. The forms duly completed and the relative share certificates may be lodged with the appropriate office of the Reserve Bank of India on or after that date. The memorandum of deposit issued by the Bank should be retained by the shareholders or his agent for exchange against promissory notes and cheques after 1st January 1949.

L. R. BHANDARI,
Manager.
Reserve Bank of India,
Bombay,
1st December, 1948.
(2420)

BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

No. 24660/151-Impt.—The following draft of a notification which it is proposed to issue under section 74 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, is published as required by section 133 of the said Act for the information of persons likely to be affected thereby and notice is hereby given that any objections or suggestions which may be received in writing by the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, from any person or persons with regard to the said draft on or before the 22nd December, 1948, will be duly considered.

DRAFT NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 74 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939 (IV of 1939), read with Government Notification Revenue Department, No. 3680-E/39 dated the 30th April 1940, the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, having been satisfied that it is necessary in the interest of public safety and because of the nature of the roads, is pleased to prohibit for a period of five years the use of:—

Mughbat Cross Lane—by all goods vehicles, and Anantwadi Lane and Zaoba's Wadi—by all goods vehicles exceeding 14,500 lbs. R.L.W.

The Commissioner of Police, Bombay's Natification No. 12952/151, dated the 17th May 1948, and No. 22739/151, dated the 29th September 1948 are hereby cancelled.

J. S. BHARUCHA,
Commissioner of Police, Bombay
Head Police Office:
Bombay, 4th November, 1948.
(2421)

G. I. P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE LAST DATE for receipt of tenders for purchase of empties lying at Kalyan and Thana has been extended upto 6-12-48. The tenders will therefore be received upto 15 hrs. on that date, in the office of the Deputy General Manager (Grainshops). (2425)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ALLOTMENT OF PIG IRON to various foundries situated in Bombay Province in Period II/49.

Last date for receiving applications for allotment of Pig Iron during the Period II/49 from Foundries through the Provincial Government has been fixed as the 15th January 1949 by the Directorate General of Industries and Supplies, New Delhi.

Foundries desiring release of Pig Iron in this Province, should submit applications for Period II-49 so as to reach the undersigned, on or before 20th December 1948, for onward transmission to the Sponsoring Authorities concerned as usual. One copy of the application should also be sent direct to the Development Office (Mech.) Pig Iron Group, Directorate General of Industries and Supplies, New Delhi.

No application received after the prescribed date will be considered.

Similarly applications with incomplete datas will also not be entertained.

J. J. PATEL,
Provincial Iron and Steel Rationing Officer.
Military Hutments,
Esplanade Maidan,
Bombay, 29th November, 1948.
(2407)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY

TENDER NOTICE NO. PM2/32414

THE TEXTILE COMMISSIONER, Bombay, invites Tenders to reach his office at Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, on or before 27th December 1948, on Forms (not transferable) obtainable from his office (Section AD-V, Third floor, Ahmedabad House) at Rs. 10/- (not refundable) per set, to be paid in cash or by Money Order or Indian Postal Order (quoting Tender No., full name and address of the remitter) for the supply of:—

52,328 lbs. of RAGS (Upto Specification No. T.C. 185)

2. Applicants not already on approved list of the office of the Textile Commissioner must give their Bankers reference with the application for a Tender Form.

3. Tenders will be opened at 11 A. M. on 28-12-1948. Tenders are required to be kept open for acceptance upto 20-1-1949. (2406)

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

IN PURSUANCE of a requisition, received under Section 36(d) and (h) of the Municipal Act, for calling a Special (Urgency) Meeting of the Corporation to consider the report of the Bombay Municipal Finance Committee recently published by the Government of Bombay, a SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CORPORATION will be held in the Municipal Office, on MONDAY, the 6th December, 1948, at 4 P.M. (Bombay Time).

By Order of
His Worship the Mayor
B. V. MODY.
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 30th November, 1948.
(2428)

OFFICIAL NOTICE

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE SHIP'S NAME

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Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Principal Officer, Registrar of British Ships, Mercantile Marine Department, Bombay, within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated this twenty-ninth day of November, 1948.

Per his Agents.
Western India Shipping Consultants and Advisers Limited.
People's Building, Sir P. M. Road, Fort, BOMBAY.
J. F. FIDELE
Mg. Director.
(2417)

NOTICE

Tenders are invited from responsible Contractors for transporting including loading, unloading and stacking, stone, sand, metal, wood etc., in Kutch State, for the new township, Gandhidham, near Port Kandla.

Approx: quantity 2,00,000 tons and 700 tons per day.

Approx: distance—3 to 6 miles.

Please quote rate per ton mile. Quotations to reach the Undersigned by December 22nd, 1948 upto 1-00 p.m.

N. R. RAMCHANDANI,
Chief Engineer,
Sindhu Resettlement Corporation Ltd.,
Sir Phirozeshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay.
Bombay, 29th Nov. 1948.
(2414)

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Dated this twenty-ninth day of November, 1948.

Per his Agents
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People's Building, Sir P. M. Road, Fort, BOMBAY
J. F. FIDELE
Mg. Director.
(2415)

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J. F. FIDELE
Mg. Director.
(2416)

THE INDIAN AUTOMOBILE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twenty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Co. will be held at 4, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on Wednesday the 29th Dec. 1948 at 4 p.m. to transact ordinary business. The Transfer Books will be closed from 16th Dec. 1948 to 29th Dec., 1948. Both days inclusively. (9928)

B.B. & C.I. RAILWAY.

INDIAN DINING CAR ON MEERUT EXPRESS

On and from 1st December, 1948, the Indian Dining Car running between Bombay Central and Meerut on 19 Down and 20 Up Meerut Express trains will run between Bombay Central and Kotah only. (2430)

NOTIFICATION BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, BOMBAY.

No. 24659/151—Imp. The following draft of a Notification which it is proposed to issue under clause (c) sub-section (1) of Section 22 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902, (Bombay IV of 1902), is published as required by sub-section (2) of the said section for the information of persons likely to be affected thereby, and notice is hereby given that any objections or suggestions which may be received in writing by the Commissioner of Police from any person or persons with regard to the said draft on or before the 22nd December 1948 will be duly considered.

DRAFT NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 22 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902 (Bom. IV of 1902), the Commissioner of Police makes the following new rule:—

"126. The Juhu Foreshore shall be closed to the riding or exercising of horses including ponies on Saturdays, Sundays and all public holidays from 9 a.m. onwards throughout the day but there shall be no objection to horses or ponies being led on the foreshore for the purpose of washing or breaking in".

(Sd) J. S. BHARUCHA,
Commissioner of Police.
Head Police Office,
Bombay, 4th November, 1948.
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No. CD3/1(85)/48

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF INDUSTRIES & SUPPLIES.

IMPORT & EXPORT CONTROL BRANCH.

New Delhi,
The 29th November, 1948.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED for the information of all concerned that with effect from 1st January, 1949, applications should be submitted in duplicate in the prescribed form, for licences for export of controlled commodities falling under Part C of the Export Trade Control Notification with the exception of (i) stores falling under item 6 (vii) (a) to (z) and (ii) stores mentioned in paras 4 and 5 below. In cases where the applicant is not liable to pay income tax on account of his income being under taxable limit, he should obtain a certificate to that effect from the concerned Income Tax Officer and forward it with his application. In case the income tax payable is under assessment, a letter to that effect from the Income Tax Officer concerned should be forwarded along with the application. Applications which do not contain these important particulars will not be considered.

2. Applications will be considered on a quarterly basis and must reach this Office on or before the last working day of the first month of each quarter, e.g., applications for the first quarter of 1949 must reach this office on or before the 31st January 1949.

Specimen copies of the prescribed form will be supplied by this Directorate-General (Import and Export Control Branch, Room No. 133, Block 4, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi) on receipt of a requisition with a self-addressed stamped envelope. Only one specimen copy will be supplied to any one firm. Verbal requests will not be considered.

Applications received in the form of letters or in any other application form will receive no ATTENTION in this Office. The attention of applicants is particularly invited to column 17 of the prescribed form which requires the applicant to furnish receipt for the income-tax last paid or furnish a certificate from the Income-tax Officer concerned that the applicant has been assessed. Where original Certificates, receipts or letters issued by the I.T.O.'s can not be produced, copies duly authenticated by a Gazetted Officer of Government should be produced.

3. Late applications will not be considered UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

4. This advertisement does not cover export of motor spare parts to Pakistan, for which applications must be submitted to the Government of India, Transport Ministry, through the High Commissioner for Pakistan in India, 6, Harding Avenue, New Delhi.

5. This advertisement does not also cover export of cycle and motor tyres and tubes to all destinations, in respect of which separate advertisements are issued from time to time.

J. C. GHOSH,
Director-General of Industries & Supplies.
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RECRUITMENT OF COMMISSIONED OFFICERS IN THE INDIAN ARMY DENTAL CORPS.

A LIMITED NUMBER of Short Service Regular Commissions in the Indian Army Dental Corps will be given to Civilian Dental Surgeons and released Emergency Commissioned Officers of the Indian Army Dental Corps.

To be eligible for the grant of these commissions, candidates must not be over 45 years of age on the date of application and must possess registrable dental qualification under section 10 of the Dentist Act of 1948.

Applications must be made in duplicate to the Adjutant General's Branch, Medical Directorate, D.M.S., 1 (Dental), Army Headquarters (India) New Delhi and will not be received after 30 Dec., 1948. Forms can be had, on application from Medical Directorate, Army Headquarters, India, New Delhi.

Terms of service appears in Army Instruction(India)No. 256/48 and advance copies of which are available at Military Dental Centres, and Recruiting Centres. (2409)

THE INDIAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

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POLICY Number 11875 on the life of Mr. Jeremias Gregorio Furtado.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the LOSS of the above policy which has now matured for payment, settlement of the claim will be proceeded with without production of the policy, unless objection is lodged with the Company within One Month from this date.

Dated 1st December, 1948.

V. RAYMOND
Manager for India.
(9925)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

(Hydraulic Engineer's Department)

TENDERS

THE HYDRAULIC ENGINEER notifies that the last date for submitting tenders for the supply of one Electrically driven pumping unit for Malbar Hill Reservoir, is extended from 26-11-1948 to 17-12-1948 at 1 P.M. (B.T.) (2427)

THE BOMBAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY & TRAMWAYS CO. LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

LOST ALLOTMENT LETTER

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Allotment Letter No. 1983 of 10-1-1921 in respect of 10 Ordinary Shares Nos. 297687 to 297696 of the Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Co. Ltd. (In Vountary Liquidation) standing in the name of Bai Pirojbai Tehmurasp Cama has been LOST, MISLAID or DESTROYED.

Any claim in respect of these shares should be notified to the Company at their Registered Office, Electric House, Bombay No. 1 within one month from the date hereof, otherwise a duplicate Allotment Letter will be issued irrespective of any claim in respect thereof.

Dated 1-12-48.

(Sd.) BAI PIROJBAI TEHMURASP CAMA

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY

THROUGH TRAINS TO DEPART EARLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

OWING to interruption of Telecommunications due to the recent cyclone, it has been found necessary to restrict the speed of trains and, therefore, with effect from Sunday the 28th November 1948, as a temporary measure and until further notice, Down Through trains will leave Bombay Central earlier than their present scheduled timings as shown below:—

Train No.	Departure Time H.M.
15 Down Saurashtra Express	6-30
9 Down Baroda Passenger	7-30
11 Down Ahmedabad Passenger	12-10*
3 Down Frontier Mail	17-10
5 Down Saurashtra Mail	17-40
31 Down Rajputana Sind Mail	18-40
1 Down Gujarat Mail	19-35
19 Down Meerut Express	19-50
7 Down Ahmedabad Passenger	20-05

(*same as at present)

These trains will pick up their present scheduled timings from Palghar.

With effect from the same date, arrivals of the corresponding Up trains at Bombay Central will be an hour later than their present scheduled timings.

(2422)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

MRS. CHANDRAKANTADEVI BHATNAGAR of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. All persons having or claiming any right, title or interest, claim or demand whatsoever in to or upon the said property or any part thereof arising howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at No. 134, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof. Any claim not made in writing as hereby required shall be deemed as waived and abandoned.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of Municipal Corporation Lease hold land, with the Building standing thereon, being plot No. 153 of Naigaum Estate Scheme No. 60 situate at Dadar-Naigaum in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 506 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 789 of Dadar-Naigaum Division and Municipal F Ward No. 668(1A) and Street No. 9 and known as 'Prakash Bhuwan' and bounded on the East by plot No. 154 of the said Naigaum Estate Scheme No. 60, on the West by plot No. 152 of the said Naigaum Estate Scheme No. 60 on the North by Road between Naigaum Road and Govindji Keni Road and on the South by the land of the Parel convent.

Dated this 30th day of November, 1948.

SUNKERSETT & VAIDYA,
Purchaser's Attorneys
(2426)

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Pincer Movement On China's Capital

NANKING DOOMED TO EARLY CAPTURE?

Chiang Plans Evacuation Of Government To Canton

NATIONALISTS PULL OUT OF HSUCHOW: AMERICAN EMBASSY READY TO SHIFT DEPENDENTS TO MANILA

NANKING, Nov. 30. (U.P.A.): The Chinese Communists began a pincer movement today on Nanking which appeared to doom Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's capital to early capture, perhaps within a few days.

EVACUATION PLANS

So pregnant was the situation that the Chinese Nationalist Government had plans for a swift evacuation and the American Embassy directed dependents to be ready to fly to Manila on Thursday.

SHANGHAI DOOMED

Shanghai appeared doomed also. Observers believed that the loss of Nanking would mean the capture of this great port, some 300 miles to the South-east, within a matter of days or a few weeks at the most.

All Government departments were preparing to move, probably to Canton, some 800 miles to the south

CHIANG WITHDRAWS FORCES FROM HSUCHOW

NANKING, Nov. 30 (Reuter): Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek today pulled the bulk of his forces out of embattled Hsuchow and sent them south to defend Pengpu where a critical battle for Central China was developing.

Pengpu, threatened by the Communist armies, is only 100 miles north of Nanking, and the last strong point in front of the capital.

Vanguards of the forces leaving Hsuchow were reported nearing the Communist-held rail centre of Suhsien, north of the new battle area.

At Pengpu, Government troops manning a horseshoe defence system were being reinforced from Nanking.

RAIL CENTRE FALLS

Only the Seventyfourth Government Army was left to hold the Hsuchow area, formerly regarded as the key in the Central China battle.

Kucheng, another important rail centre 100 miles north of Nanking, fell to the Communists yesterday.

AMERICANS LEAVE SHANGHAI

Nearly 500 American left Shanghai today in the United States Army evacuation transport "Republic" as a fresh wave of crisis rumours swept the city.

Persistent rumours in Shanghai today were that Pengpu had fallen, that the United States had decided to land marines to protect the Shanghai Railway and that the Government would evacuate to Canton. South China Port on December 5.

RED FIFTH COLUMN IN NANKING

Neutrals in Nanking frankly feared a Communist uprising here as Red forces near the city. The Communists are believed to have a strong fifth column here prepared to set off rioting and street fighting.

There were signs that Nationalist morale is crumbling at many points to the north. More than 500,000 men of the Communist forces in Manchuria, released by the Nationalist collapse there, are streaming southward into North China almost without opposition. The only really good Nationalist army in the North China, that of Gen. Fu Tso-yi, is bottled up in an area between Tientsin and Peiping. Communist forces controlled all of Shantung province. The capture of its capital, Tsinan, gave them 130,000 American rifles, 22,000 light-machine-guns and millions of round of ammunition. At all points Communist forces were on the offensive.

One military expert said: "It is hopeless to speak of saving Shanghai and Nanking, or anything north of the Yangtse for several hundred miles inland from Shanghai. There still is time for Chiang to get his planes, ships and Government offices safely moved. If he moves south far enough, perhaps to Canton, and reorganizes with new American aid there may be a chance to turn the tide before the Communists control all China."

TALKS ON INDONESIAN DISPUTE

BATAVIA, Nov. 30 (Reuter): Indonesian Republican political leaders in the working commitee of the Republic Provisional Parliament have asked Dr. Mohammed Hatta, the Premier, to discontinue discussion with the Dutch delegation, the Republican news Agency Antara said today.

Acting through Dr. Assaat, Chairman of the Working Committee, they asked Dr. Hatta to resume discussions through the Security Councils Good Offices Committee as soon as possible.

Observers here believed the report indicated a possible deadlock in the three day old informal discussions between Dr. Hatta and the Dutch Minister now in Jogjakarta to find a solution to the three year old Indonesian dispute.

58 MEMBERS WALK OUT

Incident In Hyderabad Congress Meeting

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Nov. 30, (A.P.I.): Fifty-eight out of about 180 members of the All-Hyderabad Congress Committee, which met in Hyderabad this afternoon for a three-day session, walked out of the meeting "to record their protest against the action of the President in ruling out of order in objection raised by a member".

The objection was against "the failure of the State Congress High Command to issue invitations to all members of the All-Hyderabad Congress Committee to attend the present session".

The members who left the meeting returned after fifteen minutes.

TIRTHA'S STATEMENT RECALLED

It is recalled that Swami Ramananda Tirth, President of the Hyderabad State Congress, recently declared in a statement that all those members of the All-Hyderabad Congress Committee who did not participate in the "life and death struggle of the people" during the pre-police action period, had been debarred from holding their elective posts and "shall cease to be All-Hyderabad Congress Committee members and delegates till new elections are held in which it shall be open to them to contest".

In accordance with this statement, it is learnt, invitations to the present session of the Committee have not been issued to about forty members.

The member who raised the objections at this afternoon's session of the Committee, pointed out that under the State Congress constitution invitations should have been issued to all members and any disciplinary action against any members could be taken only "on a decision" by the Committee.

The All-Hyderabad Congress Committee, which met at Raja Pratapgiriji Kothi under the Presidentship of Swami Ramananda Tirtha, adjourned for ten minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of Mahatma Gandhi after adopting a resolution of "homage to the Father of the Nation".

MANY BURMESE INSURGENTS KILLED

RANGOON, Nov. 30, (Reuter): Fifty insurgents were killed by Government troops in a seven-hour battle in Thayetmyo district, about two hundred miles north-west of Rangoon, a Burma Government communique said today.

Eight others were killed when Government troops attacked insurgent bands in Pakokku district, South-West of Mandalay, the communique added.

ALLAHABAD UNIVERSITY HONOURS SARDAR PATEL

The Hon'ble Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel addressing the annual convocation of the Allahabad University at Allahabad on November 27, when he paid a brief visit to the city. Her Excellency Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Governor of United Provinces and Chancellor of the Allahabad University conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Laws. The picture shows from left to right: Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Premier of U.P., Shri Bhattacharya, Vice-Chancellor of the University; H. E. Mrs. Sarojini Naidu; the Hon'ble Sardar Patel; Shri Sampurnananda, Education Minister, U.P. and Acharya Narendra Dev, Vice-Chancellor of the Lucknow University.

CONGRESS SESSION

Programme For The Week

JAIPUR, Nov. 30, (UPI): A tentative programme arranged by the Reception Committee of the Jaipur session of the Indian National Congress for the "Congress Week" is as follows:—

December 10 and 11— Congress Working Committee meeting at New Delhi. This meeting may be extended to December 12, if found necessary.

December 14— Opening of the Sarvodaya Exhibition.

December 15— The President-elect, Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, will leave Delhi in the morning by a special train reaching Jaipur at 2 p.m. He will be received at the Jaipur main station by the Reception Committee. On his arrival there, Dr. Pattabhi will unveil a bust of Gandhiji, presented by the Railwaymen's Union of Jaipur, outside the Jaipur main railway station. Thereafter he will be taken in procession from the Chandopol Corner round the city terminating at Jaipur Museum, where he will be presented with a civic address. The "Akhand Jyoti" which left Meerut on November 22 will be in the fore front of the procession.

December 16— Flag salutation by the President-elect at 8-30 a.m. Congress Working Committee may meet in the morning to give final touch to the official resolutions. The AICC will meet at 2 p.m. later converging itself into the Subjects Committee.

December 17— The Subjects Committee meeting both in the morning and in the afternoon.

A general session of the All India States People's Conference will be held either on December 16 or 17.

December 18 and 19— Plenary session of the Indian National Congress. On December 18 the session will begin in the afternoon. If necessary, the session will continue its deliberations on December 20. In that case the session will be held in the Subjects Committee pandal.

NO 'RUBBER STAMPING' OF PALESTINE SITUATION

Zafrullah Warns U. N. Against Recognising Israel

PARIS, Nov. 30 (Reuter): Sir Mohamed Zafrullah Khan, Pakistan Foreign Minister to-day warned the United Nations Major Political Committee that "rubber stamping" the existing situation in Palestine would "start a conflagration" which would draw in a wider area and "perhaps the rest of the world".

He was speaking in the Committee's two-week debate, now at a critical stage, on whether to maintain the original Palestine Partition Plan, to adopt the proposals of Count Bernadotte, giving Western Galilee to the Jews and the Negev to the Arabs, or to devise some combination of the two.

LEBANESE WARNING.

Sir Zafrullah, stating Pakistan's attitude after Riad El Solh Bey, the Lebanese Prime Minister, had said both plans were "extremely tyrannical and would provoke disturbances, troubles and war" declared his country would consider a partition which did not give Arab minorities in a Jewish State a permanent minority status."

Sir Mohamed said it would be very much worth the while of the United Nations to strive for some such solution. The whole problem resolved itself into the fact that it appeared likely that the existence of a Jewish State in Palestine could summon a majority of votes in the United Nations, but could it maintain itself?

PARTITION DEPLORED.

Sir Mohamed added: "The Pakistan Government cannot accept any proposal based on partition and setting up a Sovereign State of Israel" he said. The main argument advanced for recognition of the Jewish State was the fact that it was already in existence.

"Recognition by the United Nations of a situation based on these factors would amount to putting its seal of approval on force and aggression" Sir Mahamed said.

"The Pakistan Government cannot make itself a party to any such recognition. If a situation has been established by force an opportunity must be given to rectify the situation by force."

SIR MAHOMED REPLIED AT SOME LENGTH TO SUGGESTIONS THAT SINCE PAKISTAN ITSELF CAME INTO BEING THROUGH PARTITION, SHE SHOULD SUPPORT PARTITION IN PALESTINE.

Sir Mahomed said the crucial difference between the two cases was that in India, the parties concerned accepted that partition was the solution.

NON-WHITE RALLY IN S. AFRICA

Indians In Vanguard Of Battle For Emancipation, Says Chowdhury

BOMBAY, Nov. 30. (A.P.I.): Mr. Ashwin Choudhury, Vice-President of the Indian Congress in South Africa, who has arrived in India to acquaint Indian leaders with the facts of the present situation in South Africa in a statement said "Dr Malan's Government scored their victory upon the policy of "epartheid"—which means in reality the relegation of the entire non-White people to a status of absolute serfdom"

Mr. Choudhury added "the world must take note that in South Africa to-day there is entrenched a Government indoctrinated with Fascist policy. This same Malan group fought for neutrality in the second world war, when democracy was figthing for survival against Fascism.

"The country is being torn by racial conflict. The non-White people are seething with restlessness and writhing under the new oppression. General Smuts and the United Party see the far-reaching consequences of disaster facing the country under the present regime'.

"The Indian struggle "continued Mr. Choudhury" forms the vanguard of the battle of the non-White for emancipation. Once again, it is imperative that leacers of public thought in India make rhemselves heard upon this matter. They must, in no uncertain manner, condemr South Africa and take note of happenings there".

NO SPECIFIC ENDORSEMENT OF BERNADOTTE PLAN

Britain Amends Her Attitude To Bring It Closer To U. S. Stand

PARIS, Nov. 30, (Reuter): Britain, failing in ge with American wishes, today withdrew her specific endorsement of the Bernadotte plan for Palestine.

For the third time a British resolution before the United Nations Political Committee was amended to bring it closer to the United States stand on Palestine.

The principal points of the Bernadotte report were that the State of Israel should receive the rich Western Galilee area and that Arabs (Transjordan) should receive the Negev in the south of Palestine.

In withdrawing the paragraph which recommended specific endorsement of the mediator's recommendations, the British delegate Mr. Beeley said that he would reinsert elsewhere in the draft a recommendation that the Conciliation Commission which was to be set up should "direct its attention to the report.

MR. SEMYON TSARAPKIN, SOVIET DELEGATE, ATTACHED BOTH BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES FOR MANOEUVRING TO SHAPE PALESTINE TO THEIR OUTRIGHT REAFFIRMATION OF OUT RIGHT REAFFIRMATION OF THE ORIGINAL 1947 PARTITION PLAN.

RAJAJI ON IMPORT OF DEMOCRACY

"India Is No More Living In A Placid Pool"

BIG BUSINESS URGED TO GIVE UP ATTITUDE OF DOUBT AND HESITATION: ADDRESS TO BENGAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CALCUTTA, Nov. 30. (A.P.I.): Addressing the Bengal Chamber of Commerce today, His Excellency Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Governor-General of India, asked the industrialists and commercial people of India to reconcile themselves to the uncertainty of policy that democracy meant.

His Excellency said that till August 15, 1947, authority and autocracy were the basis of the Government, and it was able to assure stability and permanency of policy because it was a Government based on foreign aid and authority not derived from the people.

TRUE DEMOCRACY

Since the achievement of independence, the Government was democratic, not authoritarian. "Not only can policy change by a change of Government but on any particular day a vote of no-confidence could change the Government. Policies have to derive authority from the people below".

"Since August 15, 1947, we are not living in a placid pool but in a moving river," said His Excellency. "We will have to reconcile ourselves to moving water, that is to say, to policies which can be changed by a vote of non-confidence at any moment.

NEED FOR OPTIMISM

"British and other non-Indian elements here have more confidence in India than the nationals of India. An attitude of optimism is the correct one, an attitude of hesitation and doubt is not the correct attitude. It delays things. The Indian commercial and industrial people require education in optimism which people who have come here from outside India can give.

I have requested many friends abroad to infect our people with optimism in regard to industry and trade and other things. They know our difficulties and they understand that optimism is required and justified and they have welcomed my suggestion. I hope you will agree with me that optimism is not only justified but essential. And you have a right to infect your brothers in the commercial and industrial field who belong to my own colour with that optimism."

LESSON FROM THE BRITISH

"Our Government is quite conscious that it is the people that give the power. From the time when we became a free Government, uncertainty has taken the place of certainty which was guaranteed by the previous Government.

The British people know how to live in democracy. Like a man who knows how to swim in running water, British industrialists know how to live in democracy. They do not get disheartened by thinking of the possibility of a change of Government or change of policy. They live, work and produce.

Now the industrialists in India and the commercial people in India, some of whom are represented by big people sitting in front of me, have not reconciled themselves to this new phenomenon. We lived in a pool. We have to live in a moving river. You will not get back the British Government or any substitute of that type.

You cannot expect the Government to guarantee security or permanency which the old British Government could do. We will have to reconcile ourselves to moving water, that is to say, to policies which can be changed by a vote of non-confidence at any moment. It is no use my saying that in Delhi it is very cold because I will continue to be unhappy all the time. What I have to do is to get proper clothes to withstand the weather. That is what the industrialists have to do.

CZECH INDUSTRIALISTS' EXAMPLE

Look at the people who work in Czechoslovakia for instance. Placed as they are between two political systems, don't they produce machinery, tools etc? Don't they have self-confidence and concentration of purpose?

You complain of heavy taxation. There is no use saying that Government must reduce expenditure and that the responsbility for putting down trouble is Government's. You cannot say that. You cannot say, let industry and trade be free but wherever there is labour unrest you must send the police there. If you want free enterprise, industry and trade you will have to take all the responsibility of contented labour.

CRITICISM AGAINST MINISTERS

Some people say that Ministers make too many speeches. They have to make speeches in democracy. They have to feel the pulse of the people. They have to see what the reaction is. In England too they make many speeches. Only they are not all reported. They make speeches at public meetings and drawing rooms. They have a habit of making speeches at dinners, teas or luncheon and during conversation. Only they use simpler language than we do, which does not look like a speech at all. Here the only material for a paper is a long speech from me or from somebody. Democracy will have to be educated by exchange of opinion. How can there be exchange of opinion unless people talk to one another? How can they talk on current tipics unless they make speeches?

THE MEMBERS OF GOVERNMENT HOLD OFFICE AT THE WILL AND PLEASURE OF THE PEOPLE. THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ARE JUST TENANTS-AT-WILL. THEY WILL HAVE TO BEHAVE LIKE TENANTS-AT-WILL BUT AT THE SAME TIME, LIKE FOOD TENANTS-AT-WILL, THEY HAVE TO TRY THEIR BEST TO CREATE RELATIVE SECURITY. YOU CANNOT HAVE ABSOLUTE SECURITY. DEMOCRACY MEANS UNCERTAINTY OF POLICY THAT IS MY VIEW.

Hostiles Active In Sadabad Area

TWENTY KILLED IN ACTION NEAR JHANGAR

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30, (API): Hostile activity has increased in the Sadabad area (South of Naushahra), Jhangar and between Mendhar and Poonch., says today's defence ministry communique on Kashmir.

More than 150 hostiles were engaged by our artillery in the area North-West of Jhangar and it is believed that 20 hostiles were killed in this action.

There is little to report from other sectors except exchange of shell and mortar fire between our troops and the hostiles.

R.I.A.F. fighter aircraft carried out sorties.

HEROISM OF JEMADAR

DRAS (Kashmir), Nov. 29, (API): But for the heroic efforts of Jemadar Krishan Singh of Mandi Kahli village in the Samba 'Tehsil' Jammu district, Indian troops could not have so easily broken through strong enemy defences at the Batkundi and Anant Ridges before capturing them writes an army observer.

To locate enemy bunkers and give accurate direction to the gunners, when our troops were pinned down by the enemy, the observer says: Jemadar Krishna Singh, at great personal risk, went ahead of our troops and himself concealed within pistol shot range of enemy bunkers, from where he continued to direct the gunners over his portable radio telephone. Though he had received a bullet wound throughout the night, he continued to give instructions to the gunners and thus helped in destroying strong enemy positions.

VANDALISM OF RAIDERS IN SERI VALLEY

JHANGAR, Nov. 30, (UPI): The story of how the fertile Seri Valley has been despoiled by the vandalism of the enemy was related to an army observer by Hassan Mahomed, a Muslim peasant from the village of Pukharni, who escaped to Jhangar.

Hassan Mahomed related that reign of terror had prevailed in Seri Valley for many weeks after the capture of Pirbadesar by the Indian Army, and he had seen many peasants being shot before his own eyes.

Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Has Slight Bronchial Attack

PARIS, Nov. 30, (Reuter): Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, leader of the Indian delegation to the United Nations, was today recovering from a slight bronchial attack.

She expects to resume work, interrupted since last Friday, in a day or two.

King Receives Medical Aid

NO BULLETIN IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter): Two Doctors, Sir John Weir and Professor J. R. Learmouth today visited King George at Bukingham Palace where he is resting in bed.

The King continues to receive treatment to re-establish arterial circulation to the feet but is able to attend to State business.

No bulletin is expected in the immediate future.

Door-To-Door Collections For Gandhi Fund

85 WOMEN'S ORGANISATIONS TO HELP ON DEC. 6

BOMBAY, Tuesday: Representatives of 85 women's organisations in the City and other prominent women met this afternoon at the office of the Congress Sevika Dal in the Congress House and chalked out a plan for door-to-door collections for the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Fund on December 6, which will be observed as Women's Day.

The Women's organisations have already collected Rs. 75,000. Their target is Rs. 1,00,000. They hope to collect the rest of the amount on Monday, when street collections will be made by over a thousand girl volunteers and Congress Desh Sevikas and Kumarikas.

Collection will start early in the morning and will continue the whole day. The City has been divided into several zones for this purpose. If the donation is large, the donor will be given a receipt.

Among those who attended today's meeting were Mrs. Krishna Huthee-singh, Mrs. Mithan Lam, Mrs. Taraben Premchand, Mrs. Sen, Lady Duggan and Mrs. Saphia Khan.

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